

March 21, 1946

Mr. Robert A. Maheu  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
100 Milk Street  
Boston 9, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Maheu:

I have been informed that you fired a perfect score on the Practical Pistol Course during the Firearms Training at Quantico, Virginia on March 2, 1946.

It is with pleasure that I enclose a medal commemorating your enrollment in the Possible Club.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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Enclosure

CC: SAC, Boston

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : MR. CLEGG

FROM : H. L. SLOAN

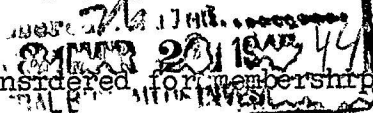
SUBJECT: ROBERT A. MAHEU  
SPECIAL AGENT  
POSSIBLE CLUB

DATE: March 5, 1946.

This is to advise that the above named Agent was successful in firing a perfect score on the Practical Pistol Course while attending Firearms Expert's Training at Quantico, Virginia, on March 2, 1946.

This course was timed and the target scored by Special Agent Charles F. Watson, a qualified Firearms Instructor.

It is recommended that Agent Maheu be considered for membership in the FBIRA Possible Club.



Handwritten signature and initials, including 'SLOAN' and '2/21'.

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TO : MR. CLEGG

DATE: March 8, 1946.

FROM : H. L. SLOAN

SUBJECT: ROBERT A. MAHEU  
FIREARMS EXPERT

This is to advise that the above named Special Agent received two weeks Firearms Experts Training from February 23, through March 7, 1946.

With this training, his background, marksmanship, and knowledge of Firearms, I believe that he is fully qualified to handle firearms assignments and demonstrations before Police Schools.

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DEFERRED PERSONNEL DATA

1. Name of Employer. Federal Bureau of Investigation.
2. Registrant's Name. ROBERT A. MAHEU
3. Age. 25
4. Address. Seattle
5. Marital Status; if married, give date. Married, July 7, 1941  
Number of children. One Number of other dependents.
6. Title of Position. Special Agent
7. Date of Appointment. December 9, 1940
8. Vocation or type of work for past five years. Investigator
9. Brief background which qualifies registrant for present duties.  
(See attachment)
10. Annual Salary - as of date of deferment. CAF 11
11. Original Draft Classification. 2B Changed to. 2A Date. June 3, 1942
12. Local Board Number and Location. 24, Washington, D. C.
13. Order Number. 113
14. By whom was deferment requested? John Edgar Hoover, Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation.
15. Reason given for deferment; if indispensability claimed. Why?  
(See attachment)
16. Length of deferment. June 11, 1943
17. How many renewals of deferment. Three Dates. 5-10-41; 5-13-42; 11-28-42
18. What attempts at replacement have been made. (See attachment)

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Witness: R. Ralph Burton, General Counsel, #519 Old House Office Building



ANNUAL

# REPORT OF EFFICIENCY RATING

Form approved  
Budget Bureau No. 50-R012.  
Approval expires Mar. 30, 1945.

ADMINISTRATIVE-UNOFFICIAL ( )  
OFFICIAL: REGULAR (X) SPECIAL ( )  
PROBATIONAL or TRIAL PERIOD ( )

As of March 31, 1946 based on performance during period from April 1, 1945 to March 31, 1946

ROBERT A. MAHEU

(Name of employee)

SPECIAL AGENT - CAF 12

(Title of position, service, and grade)

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

(Organization—Indicate bureau, division, section, unit, field station)

BOSTON FIELD DIVISION

ON LINES BELOW MARK EMPLOYEE	1. Study the instructions in the Rating Official's Guide, C. S. C. Form No. 3823A. 2. Underline the elements which are especially important in the position. 3. Rate only on elements pertinent to the position. a. Do not rate on elements in <i>italics</i> except for employees in administrative, supervisory, or planning positions. b. Rate administrative, supervisory, and planning functions on elements in <i>italics</i> .	CHECK ONE: Administrative, supervisory, or planning <input type="checkbox"/> All others <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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- ☐ (1) Maintenance of equipment, tools, instruments.
- ☒ (2) Mechanical skill.
- ☒ (3) Skill in the application of techniques and procedures.
- ☒ (4) Presentability of work (appropriateness of arrangement and appearance of work).
- ☒ (5) Attention to broad phases of assignments.
- ☒ (6) Attention to pertinent detail.
- ☒ (7) Accuracy of operations.
- ☒ (8) Accuracy of final results.
- ☒ (9) Accuracy of judgments or decisions.
- ☒ (10) Effectiveness in presenting ideas or facts.
- ☒ (11) Industry.
- ☒ (12) Rate of progress on or completion of assignments.
- ☒ (13) Amount of acceptable work produced. (Is mark based on production records? YES) (Yes or no)
- ☒ (14) Ability to organize his work.
- ☒ (15) Effectiveness in meeting and dealing with others.
- ☒ (16) Cooperativeness.
- ☒ (17) Initiative.
- ☒ (18) Resourcefulness.
- ☒ (19) Dependability.
- ☒ (20) Physical fitness for the work.

- ☐ (21) Effectiveness in planning broad programs.
- ☐ (22) Effectiveness in adapting the work program to broader or related programs.
- ☐ (23) Effectiveness in devising procedures.
- ☐ (24) Effectiveness in laying out work and establishing standards of performance for subordinates.
- ☐ (25) Effectiveness in directing, reviewing, and checking the work of subordinates.
- ☐ (26) Effectiveness in instructing, training, and developing subordinates in the work.
- ☐ (27) Effectiveness in promoting high working morale.
- ☐ (28) Effectiveness in determining space, personnel, and equipment needs.
- ☐ (29) Effectiveness in setting and obtaining adherence to time limits and deadlines.
- ☐ (30) Ability to make decisions.
- ☐ (31) Effectiveness in delegating clearly defined authority to act.

STATE ANY OTHER ELEMENTS CONSIDERED

- ☒ (A) Ability to lead and direct raids and dangerous assignments.
- ☒ (B) Capability for additional responsibility
- ☐ (C)

## STANDARD

Deviations must be explained on reverse side of this form

- Plus marks on all underlined elements, and no minus marks
- Plus marks on at least half of the underlined elements, and no minus marks
- Check marks or better on a majority of underlined elements, and any minus marks overcompensated by plus marks
- Check marks or better on a majority of underlined elements, and minus marks not overcompensated by plus marks
- Minus marks on at least half of the underlined elements

Adjective rating  
Excellent  
Very good **3**  
Good  
Fair  
Unsatisfactory

3-28-46  
APR 29 1946  
EXCELLENT  
15  
Reviewing official

Rated by E. A. SOUCY, SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

(Signature of rating official)

(Title)

3-28-46

(Date)

Reviewed by [Signature]

(Signature of reviewing official)

Federal Bureau of Investigation

(Title)

APR 22 1946

(Date)

Rating approved by efficiency rating committee

(Date)

Report to employee

(Adjective rating)

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Boston 9, Massachusetts  
March 28, 1946.

Re: ROBERT A. MAHEU - SPECIAL AGENT  
ANNUAL EFFICIENCY REPORT

This Agent makes an exceptionally nice appearance, has a most pleasing personality and dresses in a neat and conservative manner. He has shown himself to possess considerable initiative, and resourcefulness, as well as force and aggressiveness.

He is rated Very Good in dictation, is a competent automobile driver, and although I have not had an opportunity to hear him testify in court in this district, I believe he would make a most satisfactory witness.


He is well qualified to handle dangerous assignments. He has not worked on any physical surveillances since his appointment to this office. He operates a typewriter but is not qualified to take shorthand.

His reports are well written and require a minimum of supervision. His contacts with law enforcement officials and businessmen are excellent.

He has shown himself well qualified to organize and initiate investigations, as well as a willingness to accept responsibility and discharge same without supervision.

This Agent is in excellent physical condition.

As resident agent at Waterville, Maine he has had an opportunity to work on a large variety of Bureau cases. I feel that he has supervisory and administrative ability.

  
E. A. SOUCY  
SAC

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TO D. M. LADD  
FROM L. L. Tyler  
SUBJECT COCASE  
ESPIONAGE -G.

DATE 11/6/45

LLT:ECR

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As you know, Rieudonne Costes (Tom X), the French aviator whom we had operated as a double agent against the German Intelligence Service, sailed for France October 15, 1945. An appropriate receipt and release was received from him and he departed under relatively amiable circumstances considering the obstreperousness which he usually manifested. Through this case Paul Jean Marie Cavaillez (John Y) was identified as a German agent. After investigation, Cavaillez was indicted, pled guilty, and has been sentenced to five years' imprisonment. This operation met with a good deal of general success over a period of about three years in bringing to us knowledge of the operations of the German Intelligence Service, particularly Ast Paris. The handling of Costes as a double agent and a suitable coverage of Cavaillez nullified one of the principal offensives of Ast Paris against the United States. This double agent channel was also used to pass deceptive material to the Germans by means of secret writing letters and to that extent contributed to the general success of our deceptive program, upon which representatives of the Joint Chiefs of Staff have commented favorably.

It is obvious that the success in this case was substantially contributed to by Special Agent F. S. Penny, who supervised it from its inception to its practical conclusion. Mr. Penny furnished valuable information and suggestions to the New York Field Division. His great attention to detail, his tremendous patience, and his thoroughgoing study and analysis of each problem as it arose contributed greatly to the valuable development of this case. The success of our deceptive program, upon which representatives of worthy in view of the selfishness and unreliability of Tom X.

Mr. Penny also supervised the Camcase, a double agent operation involving Marco Generini-Borodin, who was brought from Madrid, Spain, and returned after completion of his mission on May 26, 1945. While not so spectacular in its results, the Camcase contributed materially to the Bureau's control of the German Intelligence Service and knowledge of its operations. This operation was handled smoothly and capably by Mr. Penny. Generally speaking during his three years in the Espionage Section Mr. Penny has handled his work with aggressiveness, thoroughness, ingenuity, and enthusiasm. He at all times contributed materially to the general success of the Bureau's counterespionage program and could always be counted upon in our daily conferences for helpful suggestions and searching questions concerning all problems. You will recall the Hickman case, which involved the placing of secret ink on a bona fide letter by a censorship employee, was practically solved by Mr. Penny because of his attention to detail, which solution inured to the benefit of the Bureau and saved great embarrassment to the Office of Censorship. In view of his contribution to the Bureau's success in this field, it is thought that he should be recognized with a meritorious increase in salary.



Memo for Mr. Ladd

It is known that in the Cpcase Special Agent Robert A. Maheu of the New York Field Division played a principal part. He handled Costes, who was, to say the least, the most difficult informant in this field that the Bureau has had to contend with. Agent Maheu also incurred the friendship of Cavaillez without arousing suspicion and, as far as can be seen in the Bureau, generally did an exceedingly creditable job. It is believed that his work deserves a meritorious increase in salary. Since numerous other Agents worked on this case, it is believed advisable to have the comments of Assistant Director E. J. Connelley, who handled the matter as a special, relative to any recognition to be shown the Agents in the field, and a letter for that purpose is attached.

RECOMMENDATION:

(1) It is recommended that Special Agent F. S. Penny be afforded a meritorious increase in salary for his thorough and capable handling of the Cocase specifically, and generally for his valuable and constant contribution to the Bureau's counterespionage program during World War II. Mr. Penny is to be commended for his thoroughness, enthusiasm, good judgment, proper analysis of problems, and loyalty to his responsibilities as a Bureau supervisor.

(2) It is recommended that Special Agent Robert A. Maheu be given a meritorious increase in salary for his handling of Dieudonne Costes and generally excellent work in the Cocase if not inconsistent with Assistant Director Connelley's reply to the attached recommended letter asking for comments on any Agents deserving of recognition.

Attachment

SAC, BOSTON

May 14, 1946

DIRECTOR, FBI

SPECIAL AGENT ROBERT A. MAHER  
FIREARMS EXPERTS' TRAINING

Please be advised that Special Agent Robert A. Maher was afforded Firearms Experts' Training at Quantico from February 23 through March 7, 1946, and is now considered a qualified firearms expert. In this capacity he is not only authorized to conduct field office firearms training, but also may give lectures and demonstrations before outside groups.

cc: Miss Eitel  
Room 4712

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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TO : MR. TOLSON

FROM : R. C. HENDON

SUBJECT: ROBERT A. MAHEU  
Special Agent

DATE: 9/6/46

Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. E. A. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_

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Mr. Quinn Tamm \_\_\_\_\_

Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_

Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

As a matter of record, SAC Soucy of the Boston Office advised me on September 5 that this Agent was still unavailable for a transfer. His wife, who is suffering with tuberculosis, has been confined continuously to her bed since his arrival at Bangor, Maine in November 1945. Just last week she was permitted to start getting up daily for a five-minute walk so it will be some time before there will be any recovery.

This man has very definite administrative possibilities but because of his personal situation he will have to remain assigned at Boston for some time to come.

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November 4, 1946

Mr. Robert A. Mahen  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
U. S. Department of Justice  
100 Milk Street  
Boston, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Mahen:

I received your letter of October 17, 1946, in which you requested that Boston be listed as your office of preference in view of your desire to remain assigned to the Boston Division in view of Mrs. Mahen's illness. I was pleased to note that she is making progress and I do hope that in the not too distant future she will completely recover from her illness.

You may be assured that there is no transfer contemplated for you and accordingly you will remain assigned to the Boston Division. I have instructed that the records of the Bureau be changed to reflect Boston as your only office of preference.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

cc - SAC - Boston - P&C

JPM:FW

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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
100 Milk Street  
Boston 9, Massachusetts  
October 17, 1946

~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~

Mr. John Edgar Hoover  
Director, FBI  
Washington, D. C.

RE: ROBERT A. MAHEU,  
Special Agent

Dear Mr. Hoover:

During the recent inspection of the Boston Field Office Inspector Myron Gurnea suggested that I write to the Bureau making Boston my office of preference. It was pointed out to Mr. Gurnea that although my wife's sickness is progressing along very well, her doctor has advised that it would be impossible for her to assume any household duties for at least seven more months.

I again wish to express my gratitude to you for the possibility of having made my residence in Maine which, according to my wife's doctor, has contributed considerably to her improvement. As soon as her condition is such that she can travel I will immediately communicate with the Bureau advising of my ability to accept a transfer wherever the Bureau may deem advisable.

Respectfully yours,

RECORDED

ROBERT A. MAHEU  
Special Agent

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Miss Gandy	.....

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DIRECTOR ROUTINE

ROBERT A. MAHEU, SA, ADMINISTRATIVE. REMYTEL OCTOBER TWENTYTHREE. AGENT  
MAHEU HAS CANCELLED TRIP TO CANADA.

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*cc: November 1*

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By *[Signature]*

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WASHINGTON 4 FROM BOSTON 10-22-46 5-25P

DIRECTOR

ROBERT A. MAHEU, SPECIAL AGENT. AGENT MAHEU IS ~~LEAVING~~ LEAVING FOR CANADA TOMORROW FOR TWO DAYS ON PERSONAL BUSINESS. UNLESS ADVISED TO THE CONTRARY BY THE BUREAU HE WILL LEAVE AT TEN AM TOMORROW MORNING.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 2-26-47

FROM : SAC Boston

SUBJECT: SPECIAL AGENT ROBERT A. MAHEU  
PERSONNEL STATUS*Rockwell*

Special Agent ROBERT A. MAHEU has advised me that since the submission of the last Personnel Status Report he has been reinstated in the Knights of Columbus organization and recently became a member of the Rotary International.

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# AGENTS' ABILITY TO DICTATE

INSPECTOR GURNEA

Robert A. Mahan

During the inspection the stenographers were requested to rate the Agents' ability to dictate as follows. Those they considered as being Excellent were to be given a rating of 1, Very Good 2, Good 3, etc. Thus a rating of 1.5 would indicate a composite rating of midway between Very Good and Excellent.

The stenographers were also requested to make constructive suggestions for the improvement of the Agents' dictation ability. The composite ratings and comments of the stenographers are set out as follows:

<u>Agent</u>	<u>Stenographers Composite Rating</u>	<u>Stenographers Comments</u>
Ahern, Charles F.	1.7	Verbose, should increase speed
Allen, Richard W.		Only one stenographer rated
Beigbender, Louis H.	1.5	No comment
Brassard, Paul E.	1.8	Fails to spell proper names
Breed, Philip M.	1.1	No comment
Brennan, James A.	1.7	Inserts. Should marshall facts more carefully
Brennan, James E.	1.6	More care in marshallng facts
Bruce, Burton L.	2	Reads dictation, too fast
Buckley, Jeremiah F.	1	No comment
Callahan, John M.	1.4	No comment
Carpenter, William H.	1.8	Poor enunciation at times. Over-looks minor details
Churchward, John W.	1.7	Slow. Facts not well marshalled
Clark, Robert W.	1.4	Slow
Clayton, Henry F.	1.3	Rushes. Fails to spell proper names
Connors, Frederick M.	1.5	Nervous. Dictation not smooth
Coughlin, Gerard T.		Not rated
Currie, Darrel B.	1.5	Corrections. Administrative Details
Davidson, John B.	1.2	No comment
Doherty, George V.	2.2	Not well prepared. Careless about details
Dow, Richard W.	1.2	No comment

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Inspector Gurnea

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Fallon, George W.	1.3	Poor enunciation at times
Flynn, Robert J.	1.2	Does not spell proper names at times
Giard, Clarence R.	1.8	Could improve sentence structure
Gibbs, Robert G.	1	No comment
Gordon, Brenton S.	1.2	Expedites all dictation
Greene, John B.	1.2	Inserts
Griffin, Daniel J.	1.5	Inserts
Harrington, Daniel J.	1.9	Careless about names, dates, etc.
Healey, Lawrence G.	1.3	No comment
Horth, Dudley S.	1.5	No comment
Kamerick, Paul E.	1.5	Corrections and inserts
Kennedy, James Michael	1.3	No comment
Langlois, Harold V.	1.6	Should speak louder, enun- ciation
Leahy, John F.	2.5	Poor enunciation. Careless about details
Leonard, Frank C.	1.5	Should be more careful about details
Levis, Samuel J.	1.3	No comment
Lynch, David A.	1.6	Slow. Corrections and inserts
Maheu, Robert A.	1.5	Enunciation, corrections and inserts
Mannion, John J.	1.5	No comment
McCarthy, Francis J.	1.7	More care in marshalling facts
McDonough, Joseph P.	1.2	No comment
McEnaney, Robert W.	2	No comment
McGee, Francis G.	1.6	Slow. Changes and inserts
McGillicuddy, John J.	1.5	More attention to adminis- trative details
McLaughlin, Thomas F.	2	Reads notes too fast
McLeod, Robert S.	1.7	Enunciation. Changes and inserts
Mehos, John A.		
Moran, John V.	1.5	Leaves desk to 'go to Chief Clerks Office to look up information. Slow
Mowbray, George R.	1	No comment
Nicholson, James H.	1.1	No comment
Nolan, John B.	2.5	Nervous, inserts and cor- rections, slow
Noonan, John F.	1.5	Could increase speed
Nowlan, Frank J.	1.2	No comment
O'Brien, Clement A.	1.6	Poor enunciation
O'Donnell, Donald F.	1.3	Corrections
O'Lalor, John J.	1.3	No comment
Oxley, Joseph A.	1.6	Fails to spell proper names
Pelletier, Charles E.	1.6	Could dictate more evenly
Perry, Philip P.	1.4	No comment

Schmidt, Norman B.	1.5	No comment
Schwetzer, Ernest W.	1.7	Could improve speed. Inserts
Sheils, Edward J.	2	Facts not well marshalled
Smith, Joseph A.	1.3	No comment
Stratford, James	1.5	Slow. Corrections and inserts
Tansey, J. Joseph	1.4	No comment
Tobin, Harold M.	1.4	No comment.
Tonis, Robert	1.1	No comment
Vivian, Edmund G.	2	Corrections. Careless about details
Weafer, Ranald J.	1.3	No comment

The comments of the stenographers should be called to the attention of the individual Agents.

SAC SOUCY.

This will be done.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

July 2, 1946.

CIRCULAR NO. 3959

TO ALL EMPLOYEES:

Subject: Affidavit regarding membership in organizations which assert the right to strike against the Government.

Appropriation bills for the fiscal year 1947 provide that no part of the appropriation shall be used to pay the salary or wages of any person who engages in a strike against the Government of the United States or who is a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States. It is provided that for the purpose of this legislation an affidavit shall be considered prima facie evidence that the person making the affidavit has not contrary to the provisions of this law engaged in a strike against the Government of the United States and is not a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States.

All employees must execute the affidavit on the other side of this circular. When you have signed the affidavit it should be returned promptly to your immediate supervisor who will forward it through regular channels (for noting against payroll records) to the Administrative Assistant to the Attorney General.

Certifying Officers shall not release salary checks until this affidavit has been prepared and forwarded.

*S. A. Andretta*

S. A. ANDRETTA

Administrative Assistant  
to the Attorney General

**AFFIDAVIT**

**STRIKING AGAINST THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT**

Department of Justice  
(Dept. or Estab.)

Federal Bureau of Investigation  
(Bureau or Office)

Boston, Mass.  
(Place of Employment)

I, Robert A. Maher, do hereby swear (or affirm) that I am not engaged in any strike against the Government of the United States and that I will not so engage while an employee of the Government of the United States; that I am not a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States, and that I will not while a Government employee become a member of such an organization.

Robert A. Maher  
(Signature of employee or appointee)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29th day of July, 1946

at Boston, State of Massachusetts

Louise M. Connolly  
(Signature of Officer)

CHIEF CLERK  
(Title)

**SEAL**

(Not needed where none available)

NOTE: Any officer or employee of a department or establishment who is designated in writing by the head thereof to administer oaths in connection with employment as required by law is authorized to administer the affidavit required incidental to the foregoing and such affidavit must be administered without charge or fee and has the same force and effect as affidavits administered by officers having seals.

STATUTORY PENALTY CLAUSE: "Any person who engages in a strike against the Government of the United States, or who is a member of an organization of Government employees that asserts the right to strike against the Government of the United States \*\*\*and accepts employment the salary or wages for which are paid from any appropriation contained in this Act shall be guilty of a felony and, upon conviction, shall be fined not more than \$1,000 or imprisoned for not more than one year, or both: Provided further, that the above penalty clause shall be in addition to, and not in substitution for, any other provision of existing law."

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*L.R.A. Maher*

DICTATION ABILITY OF SPECIAL AGENTS

Delinquency: Special Agents assigned to the Boston Field Division were rated by the stenographers with respect to their dictation ability. The stenographers were instructed to assign a numerical rating of 1 - Excellent, 2 - Very Good, 3 - Good, 4 - Fair, 5 - Unsatisfactory. A numerical average was then obtained and is set out below:

<u>Number</u>	<u>Agent</u>	<u>Rating</u>
1.	P. M. BREED	1.0
2.	W. J. MCCARTHY	1.0
3.	H. F. CLAYTON	1.10
4.	J. P. McDONOUGH	1.11
5.	J. E. BRENNAN	1.14
6.	W. J. WEST	1.25
7.	J. DAVIDSON	1.25
8.	J. H. NICHOLSON	1.27
9.	R. TONIS	1.28
10.	J. M. CALLAHAN	1.29
11.	R. W. CLARK	1.33
12.	P. E. KAMERICK	1.33
13.	J. MCGILLICUDDY	1.33
14.	R. J. WEAVER	1.33
15.	R. W. DOW	1.37
16.	D. F. O'DONNELL	1.40
17.	S. J. LEVIS	1.40
18.	B. S. GORDON	1.41
19.	J. M. KENNEDY	1.41
20.	F. J. NOWLAN	1.42
21.	R. J. FLYNN	1.42
22.	L. G. HEALEY	1.44
23.	C. F. AHERN	1.44
24.	G. W. FALLON	1.50
25.	J. B. GREENE	1.50
26.	H. E. WILBUR	1.50
27.	J. J. O'MALOR	1.50
28.	N. B. SCHMIDT	1.50
29.	J. V. MORAN	1.55
30.	F. M. CONNORS	1.60
31.	D. HORTH	1.60
32.	P. E. BRASSARD	1.60
33.	J. A. BRENNAN	1.62
34.	E. SHEILS	1.62
35.	I. T. WOODBURY	1.66
36.	J. J. TANSEY	1.66
38.	C. A. GLARD	1.66
39.	J. F. DESMOND	1.71
40.	D. J. GRIFFIN	1.75
41.	R. S. McLEOD	1.75

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42.	E. W. SCHWOTZER	1.75
43.	H. M. TOBIN	1.75
44.	G. R. MOWBRAY	1.75
45.	J. MEHOS	1.75
46.	D. A. LYNCH	1.77
47.	F. G. MCGEE	1.77
48.	J. F. NOONAN	1.77
49.	J. W. CHURCHWARD	1.80
50.	B. L. BRUCE	1.81
51.	J. J. STRATFORD	1.83
52.	J. A. SMITH	1.85
53.	R. A. MAHEU	1.87
54.	C. A. O'BRIEN	1.87
55.	F. J. MCCARTHY	1.90
56.	C. E. PELLETTIER	2.0
57.	D. A. CURRIE	2.0
58.	W. H. CARPENTER	2.0
59.	L. H. BIEGBEDER	2.0
60.	P. P. PERRY	2.0
61.	E. G. VIVIAN	2.0
62.	J. B. NOLAN	2.0
63.	R. W. MCENANEY	2.0
64.	J. WILLIAMS	2.0
65.	D. J. HARRINGTON	2.18
66.	H. V. LANGLOIS	2.20
67.	T. McLAUGHLIN	2.33
68.	J. J. MANNION	2.33
69.	G. V. DOHERTY	2.37
70.	J. A. OXLEY	2.40
71.	J. F. LEAHY	2.57

Inspection Report  
 Boston Field Division  
 September 17, 1946  
 SAC E. A. Soucy

ROBERT A. MAHEU

SPECIAL AGENT

Entered on duty 12/9/40

Salary - CAF 12 \$6384.00

Office of Preference (1) Boston

Agent's Examination - 92%

SAC SOUCY:

This Agent makes an excellent appearance and has a most pleasing personality. He is a firearms expert and a qualified Bureau speaker. As Resident Agent at Waterville, Maine he handles a wide variety of investigations and appears to be well grounded in Bureau work. I regard him as an Excellent Agent.

INSPECTOR GURNEA:

Maheu presents an excellent appearance. His approach is good and he conducts an outstanding interview. Maheu has supervisory ability and is ASAC material. Due to his wife's health he cannot be moved at the present. I consider him as definitely being above average.

Inspection Report  
Boston Office  
Inspector Gurnea  
Date of interview 10/11/46  
Interviewed by Inspector Gurnea.

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RECORD OF PHYSICAL EXAMINATION OF OFFICERS AND SPECIAL AGENTS  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

NAME Maheu, Robert Aim'e AGE 29 YEARS, 4 MONTHS  
NATIVITY (state of birth) \_\_\_\_\_ MARRIED, ~~SINGLE~~, ~~WIDOWED~~, Married NUMBER OF CHILDREN 1  
FAMILY HISTORY No change.

HISTORY OF ILLNESS OR INJURY Fracture rib right 2 weeks ago.

HEAD AND FACE Normal

EYES: PUPILS (size, shape, reaction to light and distance, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

DISTANT VISION RT. 20/20, corrected to 20/

LT. 20/20, corrected to 20/

COLOR PERCEPTION Normal AOC - 40

(state edition of Stilling's plates or Lamps used)

DISEASE OR ANATOMICAL DEFECTS None

EARS: HEARING RT. WHISPERED VOICE 15 / 15' CONVERSATIONAL SPEECH 15 / 15'

LT. WHISPERED VOICE 15 / 15' CONVERSATIONAL SPEECH 15 / 15'

DISEASE OR DEFECTS None

NOSE Normal

(Disease or anatomical defect, obstruction, etc. State degree)

SINUSES Negative

TONGUE, PALATE, PHARYNX, LARYNX, TONSILS Normal

TEETH AND GUMS (disease or anatomical defect): As charted.

MISSING TEETH #17-29-32

NONVITAL TEETH None

PERIAPICAL DISEASE None

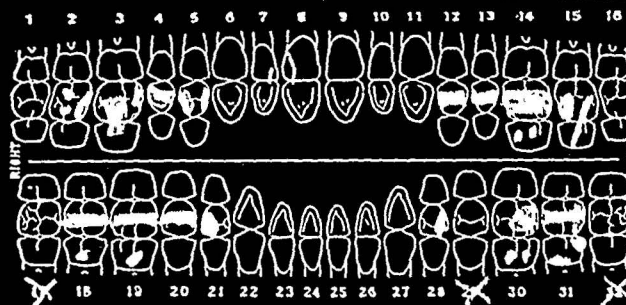
MARKED MALOCCLUSION No

PYORRHEA ALVEOLARIS None

TEETH REPLACED BY BRIDGES None

DENTURES None

REMARKS Normal



W. D. F. Stagner, Capt. (DC) USN

(Signature of Dental Officer)

GENERAL BUILD AND APPEARANCE Heavy

TEMPERATURE 98.6

CHEST AT EXPIRATION

HEIGHT 71

CHEST AT INSPIRATION

WEIGHT 184

CIRCUMFERENCE OF ABDOMEN AT UMBILICUS 35

RECENT GAIN OR LOSS, AMOUNT AND CAUSE None

SKIN, HAIR, AND GLANDS Normal

NECK (abnormalities, thyroid gland, trachea, larynx) Normal

SPINE AND EXTREMITIES (bones, joints, muscles, feet) Normal

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Boston 9, Massachusetts  
March 31, 1947

Re: ROBERT A. MAHEU. - SPECIAL AGENT  
ANNUAL EFFICIENCY REPORT.

This Agent makes an excellent appearance, has a very pleasing personality and dresses in a neat manner. He has shown himself to possess considerable initiative and resourcefulness, as well as force and aggressiveness.

His dictation is very good and he is a competent automobile driver.

He has not had occasion to testify in court but I feel that he would make an excellent witness for the government. He is well qualified to handle dangerous assignments, being a firearms expert and is obviously qualified to lead a group of Agents on raids and dangerous assignments.

He operates a typewriter but does not take shorthand. His reports are well prepared and require a minimum of supervision. His contacts with law enforcement officials and businessmen have been excellent. He has shown himself capable of organizing and initiating investigations, as well as a willingness to accept responsibility and discharge same without supervision.

He is in very fine physical condition.

As Resident Agent at Waterville, Maine this Agent's assignments are varied. He is a qualified police school instructor and as a firearms expert, has given firearms demonstrations.

He is a qualified Bureau speaker.

He has not had an opportunity to work as a relief supervisor but I feel that he has supervisory and administrative ability.

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E. A. SOUCY  
SAC

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March 19, 1947 ~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~

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Mr. Robert Aime Maheu  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Boston, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Maheu:

The Bureau is in receipt of the report of the physical examination afforded you at the United States Naval Hospital, Chelsea, Massachusetts, on February 18, 1947.

This report reflects that you have no physical defects.

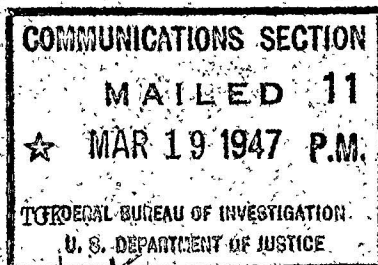
The Board of Examining Physicians of the United States Naval Hospital reports that you are capable of performing strenuous physical exertion and have no physical defects that would interfere with your participation in raids or other work involving the practical use of firearms.

Sincerely yours,

*J. E. Hoover*

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

CC: SAC Boston



Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. E. A. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_  
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Mr. Pennington \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Quinn Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Beahm \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_



May 17, 1947

Mr. Robert A. Mahan  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Boston, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Mahan:

In connection with the Uniform Promotion Act, I am indeed pleased to advise you that you have been recommended for promotion from \$6384 per annum to \$6623.40 per annum in Grade CAF 12, effective June 15, 1947.

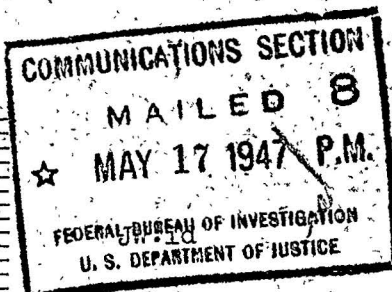
Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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Mr. J. E. Edwards

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Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. E. A. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
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Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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**WASHINGTON 25, D. C.**

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### PERIODIC PAY INCREASES

Effective : June 13, 1947

**MAY 17, 1947**

F.B.I. - 24084

### Legal Authority

Field

## Date of Oath \_\_\_\_\_

From. under Auto. Prom. Bill  
Public Law #200 as amended 6/30/45. From. under  
same Bill fr. \$ 45180 to \$5390 in CAR 12, eff.  
12/3/45. Super. Accomplishment to \$5600 eff.  
2/24/46. BSI to \$6384. 7/1/46.

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# REPORT OF EFFICIENCY RATING

ADMINISTRATIVE-UNOFFICIAL ( )

OFFICIAL:

REGULAR (X)

SPECIAL ( )

PROBATIONAL ( )

As of MARCH 31, 1947 based on performance during period from APRIL 1, 1946 to MARCH 31, 1947ROBERT A. MAHEU

(Name of employee)

SPECIAL AGENT - CAF 12

(Title of position, service, and grade)

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATIONBOSTON FIELD DIVISION

(Organization—Indicate bureau, division, section, unit, field station)

ON LINES BELOW  
MARK EMPLOYEE

1. Study the instructions in the Rating Official's Guide, C. S. C. Form No. 3823A.
2. Underline the elements which are especially important in the position.
3. Rate only on elements pertinent to the position.
  - a. Do not rate on elements in *italics* except for employees in administrative, supervisory, or planning positions.
  - b. Rate administrative, supervisory, and planning functions on elements in *italics*.

CHECK ONE:

Administrative,  
supervisory, or  
planning ----- ☐All others ----- ☒

- ✓ if adequate  
- if weak  
+ if outstanding

- (1) Maintenance of equipment, tools, instruments.  
----- (2) Mechanical skill.  
+ (3) Skill in the application of techniques and procedures.  
----- (4) Presentability of work (appropriateness of arrangement and appearance of work).  
+ (5) Attention to broad phases of assignments.  
+ (6) Attention to pertinent detail.  
----- (7) Accuracy of operations.  
+ (8) Accuracy of final results.  
+ (9) Accuracy of judgments or decisions.  
+ (10) Effectiveness in presenting ideas or facts.  
+ (11) Industry.  
+ (12) Rate of progress on or completion of assignments.  
+ (13) Amount of acceptable work produced. (Is mark based on production records? ----- Yes -----  
(Yes or no)  
+ (14) Ability to organize his work.  
+ (15) Effectiveness in meeting and dealing with others.  
+ (16) Cooperativeness.  
+ (17) Initiative.  
+ (18) Resourcefulness.  
+ (19) Dependability.  
+ (20) Physical fitness for the work.

- (21) Effectiveness in planning broad programs.  
----- (22) Effectiveness in adapting the work program to broader or related programs.  
----- (23) Effectiveness in devising procedures.  
----- (24) Effectiveness in laying out work and establishing standards of performance for subordinates.  
----- (25) Effectiveness in directing, reviewing, and checking the work of subordinates.  
----- (26) Effectiveness in instructing, training, and developing subordinates in the work.  
----- (27) Effectiveness in promoting high working morale.  
----- (28) Effectiveness in determining space, personnel, and equipment needs.  
----- (29) Effectiveness in setting and obtaining adherence to time limits and deadlines.  
----- (30) Ability to make decisions.  
----- (31) Effectiveness in delegating clearly defined authority to act.

STATE ANY OTHER ELEMENTS CONSIDERED

- + (A) Ability to direct & lead group Acts.  
on raids & dangerous assignments.  
+ (B) Capability for additional responsibility.  
----- (C) -----

## STANDARD

Deviations must be explained on reverse side of this form

- Plus marks on all underlined elements, and check marks or better on all other elements rated.  
Check marks or better on all elements rated, and plus marks on at least half of the underlined elements.  
Check marks or better on a majority of underlined elements, and all weak performance overcompensated by outstanding performance.  
Check marks or better on a majority of underlined elements, and all weak performance not overcompensated by outstanding performance.  
Minus marks on at least half of the underlined elements.

Adjective  
Rating

Excellent

Very Good

Good

Fair

Unsatisfactory

Adjective  
RatingRating  
official..

EXCELLENT

Reviewing  
official..Ram  
3/25/47Rated by E. A. SOUCY, SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE 3/31/47

(Signature of rating official)

Assistant (Title) for.

(Date)

Reviewed by [Signature] Federal Bureau of Investigation 4/25/47

(Signature of reviewing official)

(Title)

(Date)

Rating approved by efficiency rating committee Report to employee 30

(Date)

(Adjective rating)

Prepared by:  
Checked by: *ack*  
Filed by:

July 2, 1947

Mr. Robert A. Mahan  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Boston, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Mahan:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of June 24, 1947, submitting your resignation as a Special Agent in the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, and you are advised that same is being accepted effective at the close of business July 24, 1947, active duty to cease at the same time.

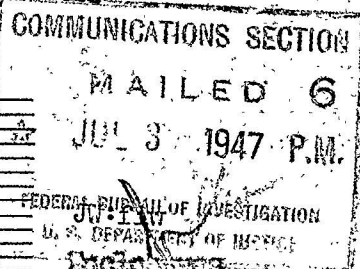
You will receive payment for eighty-seven days and one hour of annual leave to your credit which will expire 10:00 A. M. November 1947 providing no emergency leave is taken by you subsequent to the submission of your resignation.

In the event you desire to be reimbursed for the deductions which were made from your salary for retirement purposes, prior to January 24, 1942, it is requested that you execute and return to the Chief Clerk's Office the enclosed Application for Refund of Retirement Deductions. However, it will be noted from United States Civil Service Commission Form #3910 which is also enclosed that it is to the advantage of an employee who has been in the Government service for a period of five years or longer, to allow contributions to remain in the retirement fund.

It is requested that you keep this Bureau promptly advised of your forwarding address and any changes therein until such time as all salary matters have been settled. This will eliminate considerable delay in transmitting checks to you.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover  
Director



Mr. Tolson  
Mr. E. A. Tamm  
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CC: SAC, Boston

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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice

Boston, Massachusetts

June 25, 1947

Director, FBI

Re: ROBERT A. MAHEU  
SPECIAL AGENT

Dear Sir:

There is attached a letter to the  
Director over the signature of Special Agent  
Robert A. Maheu in which this Agent tenders  
his resignation, effective at the close of  
business on July 24, 1947.

Very truly yours,

E. A. SOUCY  
SAC

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Mr. Robert A. Cohen  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Boston, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Cohen:

I have your letter of June 24, 1947 advising of your resignation as a Special Agent and in a separate communication your resignation is being accepted.

I wish to take this means of expressing my appreciation for your explaining the circumstances surrounding the submission of your resignation and it is my sincere hope that your wife will soon be restored to good health.

Your kind offer to be of further assistance should the occasion arise is indeed appreciated.

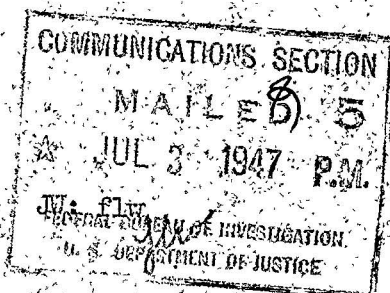
Please know you have my best wishes for success in your new field of endeavor.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

CC: SAC, Boston



Mr. Tolson  
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DIRECTOR

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Dear Mr. Hoover:

much respect.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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I also want to make it a matter of record that the Bureau or any of its personnel may call upon me for any assistance at any time in the future.

I wish you continued success and I repeat my gratitude for being so kind and considerate.

Very truly yours,

*Robert A. Maheu*

Robert A. Maheu

**APPLICATION FOR REFUND OF RETIREMENT DEDUCTIONS**  
**Read instructions on back of sheet carefully before executing this application**  
**(SUBMIT THROUGH AGENCY WHERE LAST EMPLOYED)**

CLAIM CSR

1. NAME (First) (Middle) (Last) Mr. <u>Robert</u> <u>Aime</u> <u>Maheu</u>			FORMER NAME (if any) -----		2. DATE (Month, day, year) OF BIRTH <u>Oct. 30, 1917</u>	
3. DATE OF TERMINATION OF SERVICES (Month, day, year) <u>July 29, 1947 (5:30 P.M.)</u>		4. TITLE OF LAST POSITION <u>Special Agent</u>		5. DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY <u>Department of Justice</u>		
6. DIVISION OR BUREAU OR FORCE OR SERVICE <u>Federal Bureau of Investigation</u>			7. PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT (City and State) <u>Bangor, Maine (Resident Agent)</u>			
STATEMENT OF SERVICE (civil and/or military) FOR THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT OR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA						
Department or Agency		Location		Beginning Date		Ending Date
<u>Dept. of Justice - F. B. I.</u>		<u>Washington, D. C.</u>		<u>Dec. 9, 1940</u>		<u>July 24, 1947</u>
9. PREVIOUS CLAIMS HAVE BEEN FILED BY ME AS FOLLOWS (see instruction 3):  <u>None</u>						
10. We, the undersigned, certify that we personally know the applicant herein to be the above-described person and that he (or she) is the person who signed the application.  <u>Raymond H. Fortin</u> (Signature of first witness) <u>Crescent St., Augusta, Maine</u> (Number and street) (City, zone No., and State) <u>Doland C. Vigor</u> (Signature of second witness) <u>34 Pleasant Dale Ave. Waterville, Me.</u> Address: (Number and street) (City, zone No., and State)				11. I hereby declare that the above statements made this <u>twenty - second</u> day of <u>October</u> , 19 <u>47</u> , are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.  <u>Robert A. Maheu</u> (Signature of applicant) <u>9 Sheldon Place</u> (Number and street) <u>Waterville, Maine</u> (City, zone No., and State)		

**THIS ENCLOSED SPACE FOR USE OF UNITED STATES CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION**

NET DEDUCTIONS \$	EXAMINER	INTEREST COMPUTER
TONTINE PAID \$	REVIEWER	INTEREST CHECKER
INTEREST \$	SERVICE (Years, months)	DATE VOUCHERED
TOTAL AMOUNT PAID \$		

Boston, Massachusetts

July 15, 1947

Director, FBI

RE: SA John T. Delaney  
Resident Agency, Portland, Maine

Dear Sir:

In view of the recent resignation of Special Agent Robert A. Maheu, to take effect on July 24, 1947, it is my recommendation that Special Agent JOHN T. DELANEY be designated as a Resident Agent, his headquarters to be fixed at Portland, Maine, from which location he will handle the area presently covered by Agent Maheu.

Since his arrival in this district, Agent Maheu's headquarters have been fixed at Waterville, Maine. However, it is felt the majority of the work is in the vicinity of Portland, and when necessary, a road trip will result in the work in the northern area being adequately handled.

Very truly yours,

E. A. SOUCY  
SAC

EAS:MP

11 JUL 24 1947

## U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

MR. ROBERT A. MAHEU

Robert A. Mahew

Prepared by: *bas*  
Checked by: *WJ*  
Filed by:Date  
July 24, 1947Personnel Action Number  
F.B.I. - 1545 10-15

Legal Authority

Nature  
of Action

RESIGNATION

Effective

CD JULY 24, 1947

Position

Special Agent

Grade

CAT 12

Salary

\$5623.40

Division

and

Section

Headquarters

Appropriations

S &amp; E, F.B.I.

S &amp; E, F.B.I.

Departmental  
or Field

Dept.

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Field

## NATURE OF POSITION

a. VICE

b. ADDITIONAL IDENTICAL

c. NEW

P. C. NO.

P. C. NO.

P. C. NO.

Date of Birth

Date of Oath

REMARKS

Leave in amount of 37 days 1 hour thru 10 am  
11-28-47. Three holidays included.Forwarding address:  
54 Summer Street  
Waterville, Maine3 JUL 23 1947  
ST-100-100000-4

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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
100 Milk Street  
Boston 9, Massachusetts.

August 13, 1947.

~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL.~~ (U)

Director  
FBI

Re: ROBERT A. MAHEU  
SPECIAL AGENT

Dear Sir:

There are submitted herewith the following items referring to the above-named Special Agent whose resignation was accepted effective at the close of business July 24, 1947, active duty having ceased at the same time:

1. Personnel file. *Not in file*
2. Leave record card and leave slip *- defers bus seat*
3. Field firearms record card *not in file*
4. Duplicate property record card. *not in file*

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Very truly yours

E. A. SOUCY

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SAC, Boston

August 14, 1947

Director, FBI

Special Agent Robert Aime Maheu

It is desired you submit a ceased duty efficiency report on the above-named Agent immediately.

Mr. Tolson  
Mr. E. A. Tamm  
Mr. Clegg  
Mr. Glavin  
Mr. Ladd  
Mr. Nichols  
Mr. Rosen  
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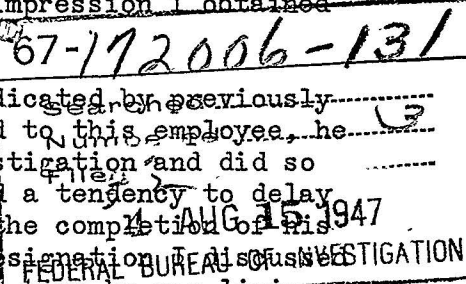
RE: ROBERT A. MAHEU - SPECIAL AGENT  
SPECIAL EFFICIENCY REPORT

This employee resigned from the Bureau effective at the close of business July 24, 1947. Up to that time he was stationed as a Resident Agent at Waterville, Maine.

His work has continued to be satisfactory since the occasion of the last efficiency report submitted with regard to him. However, shortly before he submitted his resignation I had occasion to talk with him regarding the possible necessity for changing his headquarters consistent with the pending work in this district, explaining to him there was not sufficient work in the immediate vicinity of Waterville, Maine to warrant his remaining there indefinitely. It is believed the thought of having to move from this area prompted his resignation, for the reasons indicated in his letter to you. Evidently the doctor treating his wife is of the belief she should remain permanently at a fixed location, at least that is the impression I obtained from my conversation with him.

As the Bureau is aware, and as indicated by previously submitted efficiency reports with regard to this employee, he is qualified to handle any type of investigation and did so while assigned here. However, he showed a tendency to delay in the submission of reports following the completion of his investigations. Shortly prior to his resignation I discussed this with him and it was learned at that time he was living with his family under crowded conditions and experienced difficulty in utilizing the typewriter and ediphone upon his return home in the evening. I do feel, however, that under different conditions he could be relied upon, as he has in the past, to handle his work in the most satisfactory manner, and it is felt that he meets the qualifications of an excellent Agent in his classification.

E. A. SOUCY  
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REPORT OF  
EFFICIENCY RATINGADMINISTRATIVE-UNOFFICIAL ( )  
OFFICIAL:  
REGULAR ( ) SPECIAL ( )  
PROBATIONAL ( )As of JULY 24, 1947 based on performance during period from March 31, 1947 to July 4, 1947ROBERT A. MAHEU

(Name of employee)

SPECIAL AGENT - CAF 12

(Title of position, service, and grade)

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATIONBOSTON FIELD DIVISION

(Organization—Indicate bureau, division, section, unit, field station)

ON LINES BELOW MARK EMPLOYEE		CHECK ONE:
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<input type="checkbox"/> if weak	2. Underline the elements which are especially important in the position.	All others <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> if outstanding	3. Rate only on elements pertinent to the position. a. Do not rate on elements in <i>italics</i> except for employees in administrative, supervisory, or planning positions. b. Rate administrative, supervisory, and planning functions on elements in <i>italics</i> .	

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----- (2) Mechanical skill.	----- (22) Effectiveness in adapting the work program to broader or related programs.
----- (3) Skill in the application of techniques and procedures.	----- (23) Effectiveness in devising procedures.
----- (4) Presentability of work (appropriateness of arrangement and appearance of work).	----- (24) Effectiveness in laying out work and establishing standards of performance for subordinates.
----- (5) Attention to broad phases of assignments.	----- (25) Effectiveness in directing, reviewing, and checking the work of subordinates.
----- (6) Attention to pertinent detail.	----- (26) Effectiveness in instructing, training, and developing subordinates in the work.
----- (7) Accuracy of operations.	----- (27) Effectiveness in promoting high working morale.
----- (8) Accuracy of final results.	----- (28) Effectiveness in determining space, personnel, and equipment needs.
----- (9) Accuracy of judgments or decisions.	----- (29) Effectiveness in setting and obtaining adherence to time limits and deadlines.
----- (10) Effectiveness in presenting ideas or facts.	----- (30) Ability to make decisions.
----- (11) Industry.	----- (31) Effectiveness in delegating clearly defined authority to act.
----- (12) Rate of progress on or completion of assignments.	
----- (13) Amount of acceptable work produced. (Is mark based on production records? -----) (Yes or no)	
----- (14) Ability to organize his work.	
----- (15) Effectiveness in meeting and dealing with others.	STATE ANY OTHER ELEMENTS CONSIDERED
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----- (17) Initiative.	----- (B) -----
----- (18) Resourcefulness.	----- (C) -----
----- (19) Dependability.	
----- (20) Physical fitness for the work.	

## STANDARD

Deviations must be explained on reverse side of this form

Plus marks on all underlined elements, and check marks or better on all other elements rated. -----

Check marks or better on all elements rated, and plus marks on at least half of the underlined elements. -----

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Check marks or better on a majority of underlined elements, and all weak performance not overcompensated by outstanding performance. -----

Minus marks on at least half of the underlined elements. -----

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official -----Rated by E.A. SOUCY (Signature of rating official) SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE (Title) 7/24/47 (Date)

Reviewed by ----- (Signature of reviewing official) ----- (Title) ----- (Date)

Rating approved by efficiency rating committee ----- (Date) Report to employee ----- (Adjective rating)

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

FROM : SAC, Boston

SUBJECT: SA ROBERT AIME MAHEU

DATE: August 19, 1947

Rebulet 8/14/47. A ceased duty efficiency report on the above-named Agent was prepared and forwarded to the Bureau with his personnel file under date of August 13, 1947.

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September 21, 1949

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Mr. Robert A. Maheu  
President  
Dairy Dream Farms, Incorporated  
110 East 42nd Street  
New York 17, New York

Dear Mr. Maheu:

It was kind and thoughtful of you to write me as you did on September 16, 1949. I want you to know it was a pleasure to recommend you to the President of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad for possible employment in view of the very fine record which you established for yourself while a Special Agent of the Bureau.

I was interested in reading about your present business enterprise and want to wish you every success. I was also glad to learn that Mrs. Maheu has regained her former good health.

Should you be in Washington at any time in the future, I look forward to a personal visit from you.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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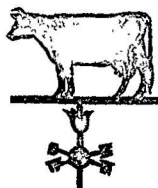
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# Dairy Dream Farms Inc.

110 EAST 42ND STREET, NEW YORK 17, N. Y.



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September 16, 1949

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Recently, I was contacted by the President of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad stating that you had recommended me for employment. The position in question was a substantial one, and I really feel grateful to you for having submitted my name, particularly in view of the fact that I considered it an honor to have someone like you make such a recommendation.

I went to Boston and had a long interview with the President of the railroad. I informed him that it would take me some time to make up my mind as there was a possibility of selling my present business. After some time, I told him that it would be impossible for me to accept the position, because I sincerely felt that my present business presented an excellent opportunity and that I no longer entertained any thoughts of selling it. I informed him that I would be willing to help them out with any survey they might want conducted of their policing or claim departments, but strongly recommended that they try to hire someone on a full time basis.

Shortly after my resignation from the Bureau, I organized a general brokerage business in the State of Maine. During one of my trips in Canada, my attention was called to an organization there which had developed a process for canning pure sweet cream which cream can be kept indefinitely without refrigeration. After long negotiations, I was able to obtain from this organization the exclusive rights for the entire world, excepting Canada.

About a year ago, I formed a corporation, and we have been merchandising this product in about thirty states and ten foreign countries. As in the development of any new business, we have had many bad breaks, but we now seem to have corrected all of our basic difficulties and are getting wider acceptances every week. This week, for instance, we were formally advised that our product had been accepted by the Good Housekeeping Institute, and I also signed a contract with the Crosby Research Foundation. In the near future, there will be nation-wide publicity concerning the Crosby connection with DAIRY DREAM FARMS, INC., and we will be able

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover

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September 16, 1949

to use the name of Bing Crosby on much of our promotional material. I sincerely feel that DAIRY DREAM FARMS, INC., of which I am still the major stockholder, presents an opportunity to set up both a national and international distribution of dairy products.

Although my plans were to settle in Maine, inevitably, my business has forced me to move to New York, and recently, we purchased a home at New Rochelle. I am sure you will be glad to learn that Mrs. Maheu is completely cured and had a checkup as recently as two weeks ago, at which time her doctor informed her that she would never again be bothered with the same illness. She and I have never forgotten everything that you did for us during her illness, and we do not hesitate to say a great deal of her recovery is directly attributable to the unlimited cooperation which you and all of the other members of the Bureau extended us during those trying times.

Again, I want to thank you for having been so kind as to remember me. I assure you that I followed through in exactly the same manner which I am sure you would have wanted me to, and I do hope to have an opportunity of seeing you again personally in the near future.

Very truly yours,

*Robert A. Maheu*

Robert A. Maheu  
President

RAM:DMM

June 7, 1949

Mr. E. C. Dumaine  
199 Washington Street  
Boston 8, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Dumaine:

ROBERT A. MAHEU

I received your letter of May 19, 1949, and was sorry to learn that Mr. Joseph P. Coyne had decided not to join the railroad organization.

You will find attached short biographical sketches on four former Special Agents whom you may desire to contact for the position you have in mind. I do not know whether any of these former Special Agents would be interested or available, however, all of them had very satisfactory records while in the Bureau's service and I am happy to recommend them to you.

Should there be anything further I can do, I hope you will not hesitate to communicate with me.

It was kind of you to remember my twenty-fifth anniversary with the Bureau and I deeply appreciate your thoughtfulness.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

/s/ J. Edgar Hoover

Enclosure

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June 7, 1949

LEONARD EVAN EDWARDS. Mr. Edwards is 41 years of age and married. He has an LLB Degree from the University of Minnesota. He entered on duty with the FBI as a Special Agent on April 28, 1941 and submitted his voluntary resignation on January 5, 1945. His latest known address is 3565 Martha Custis Drive, Alexandria, Virginia.

ROBERT A. MAHEU. Mr. Maheu is 31 years of age and married. He has a BS Degree from Holy Cross College. He entered on duty as a Special Agent of the FBI on December 9, 1949 and submitted his voluntary resignation on July 24, 1947. His latest known address is 54 Summer Street, Waterville, Maine.

WILLIAM F. GIESEN. Mr. Giesen is 33 years of age and married. He received BS and LLB Degrees from Fordham University. He entered on duty with the FBI as a Special Agent on November 24, 1941 and submitted his voluntary resignation on May 31, 1946 to practice law. His latest known address is 2889 Bainbridge Avenue, Bronx, New York.

RALPH J. GREGG. Mr. Gregg is 35 years of age and married. He received an AB Degree from Syracuse University and an LLB Degree from the Cornell Law School. He entered on duty with the FBI as a Special Agent on October 14, 1940 and voluntarily submitted his resignation on February 21, 1946 to return to the practice of law. His latest known address is 1300 Genesee Building, Buffalo, New York.

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson

FROM : L. B. Nichols

SUBJECT: 0

DATE: July 15, 1949

RECOMMENDED FOR MER. EMPLOYEES

Mr. Arthur F. Stinson, Assistant to the Vice President of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company, stopped in to visit with Mr. McGuire on July 13, 1949. He stated that Mr. F. C. Dumaine, chairman of the Board of Directors of the Railroad Company, had received a letter from Mr. Hoover giving the names of several former Agents in whom the railroad might be interested in order to fill a vacancy in the position of the Chief of Police for the railroad and for the Claims Division of the railroad.

J.P.

Mr. Stinson stated that Mr. X Coyne was not interested nor was Mr. Ralph J. X Gregg, as he was practicing law and did not desire to make any change. He further advised that Gregg had furnished the railroad the name of former Agent Arthur X Rutzen and that Rutzen had made a favorable impression although he was doubtful if he would take the job as his job with the Wurlitzer pays \$12,000.00 a year.

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Mr. Stinson also stated that through a source unknown to him the name of former Agent Jeremiah X Buckley had come to his attention (Mr. Dumaine's).

The principal purpose of Stinson's visit was to see if we could give better addresses of former Agents X Mahed and X Giesen as the railroad had been unable to contact either of these men. Mr. Stinson was advised that we would be glad to ascertain these addresses and would furnish them to him by letter. This has been done through the Boston and New York Offices and a letter is attached setting out their most recent addresses.

As to Buckley and Rutzen, Mr. McGuire told Mr. Stinson that the Director obviously did not feel that either of them were qualified or available; otherwise, he would have recommended them in the first place when he wrote Mr. Dumaine on June 7, 1949. Mr. Stinson agreed.

Mr. McGuire then informed Mr. Stinson that it was doubtful if the Director would have recommended Buckley and Rutzen anyway in view of the fact there were other former employees who were much more qualified than either of those two gentlemen.

CC - Mr. Jones

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Attachment

Memorandum to Mr. Tolson

July 15, 1

Mr. Stinson stated that Rutzen had already been interviewed and had made a favorable impression on Mr. Dumaine, but that he personally was very much in favor of Mr. Leonard Evan/Edward who is currently the secretary to Senator Thye.

Mr. Stinson was advised that the Director thought most highly of Mr. Edwards and, in fact, had placed his name first on the list when he wrote to Mr. Dumaine.

While speaking to Mr. Edwards on another matter today Edwards advised Mr. McGuire that he expected to go up to either New Haven or Boston this weekend for an interview as he was interested in making a change.

*W. J. McGuire*



JULY 15, 1949

Mr. Arthur F. Stinson  
Assistant to the Vice President  
The New York, New Haven and  
Hartford Railroad Company  
New Haven, Connecticut

Dear Mr. Stinson:

I have been advised of your visit with  
Inspector J. J. McGuire on July 13, 1949, and  
pursuant to his conversation with you we have  
ascertained the most recent business addresses  
of former Special Agents Robert A. Maheu and  
William F. Giesen.

Mr. Maheu is now associated with the  
Dairy Dream Farms, Incorporated, Room 806, 110  
East 42nd Street, New York, New York.

Mr. Giesen is now General Manager of  
the Maritime Association of the Port of New York,  
80 Broad Street, New York 4, New York, telephone  
Whitehall 4-8360. Mr. Giesen's home address is  
2889 Bainbridge Avenue, Bronx 58, New York,  
telephone Fordham 7-9170.

It is hoped this information will be  
of some assistance to you.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

CC - Mr. Jones

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EMPLOYEE: SA

Maheu, Robert Aime

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## INDIVIDUAL RECORD OF ABSENCE FOR THE YEAR OF 1942

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EMPLOYEE **Maheu, Robert Aime**

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### INDIVIDUAL RECORD OF ABSENCE FOR THE YEAR OF 1940

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The following former Agent has applied for membership in the Society of Former Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Incorporated:

Robt. A. Maheu (1940-47)  
9 Sheldon Place  
Waterville, Me.  
President

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Robert A. Maken

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DUPLICATE PROPERTY RECORD

(This record is to be kept up-to-date and should be maintained  
in the field personnel file of the special agent.)

NAME ROBERT A. MAHEU, Special Agent

Badge # 1519, with case.

Commission Card with case, # 1515

FBI Handbook # 443

Tax Exemption Identification Card # J3743

Agents Brief Case 1 Accountant's with Lock and Key

Zipper Brief Case 1

G.T.R. Identification Card # \_\_\_\_\_

FIREARMS:

Official Police Revolver # 706524

Official Police Hip Holster 1

Grip Adapter 1

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, BOSTON

DATE: May 14, 1946

FROM : DIRECTOR, FBI

SUBJECT: SPECIAL AGENT ROBERT A. MAHEU  
FIREARMS EXPERTS' TRAINING

Please be advised that Special Agent Robert A. Maheu was afforded Firearms Experts' Training at Quantico from February 23 through March 7, 1946, and is now considered a qualified firearms expert. In this capacity he is not only authorized to conduct field office firearms training, but also may give lectures and demonstrations before outside groups.

*W. J. Brown*  
*W. J. Brown*  
*T. J. Brown*

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
MAY 17 1946  
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**Federal Bureau of Investigation**  
**United States Department of Justice**  
New York, New York

May 29, 1944

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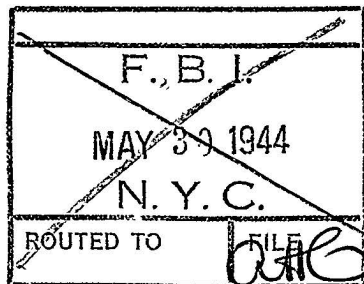
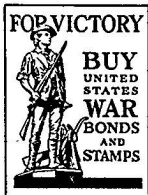
MEMO, SAC

**RE: ROBERT A. MAHEU, SPECIAL AGENT;  
ABILITY TO TESTIFY**

Agent Maheu entered on duty with the Bureau on December 9, 1940. At Phoenix, his first office of assignment, he testified ten times before the Commissioner, and three times before the Grand Jury. At Seattle, his second office of assignment, he testified approximately twenty times before the Commissioner and ten times before the Grand Jury. He entered on duty at New York on April 28, 1943, but has received no experience in testifying since his arrival at this office.

Agent Maheu received a B.S. degree from Holy Cross College in 1940, having majored in economics, and philosophy. He had no experience in testifying prior to his appointment with the Bureau.

On May 26, 1944, Agent Maheu participated in Moot Court proceedings of this office and received a rating of very good.



*Robert W. Miller*  
ROBERT W. MILLER  
SPECIAL AGENT

*file*  
*67-11773-17*

Seattle, Washington  
February 2, 1942

MEMORANDUM

Re: ROBERT MAHEU, SPECIAL AGENT

I thought you would be interested in learning of the favorable comment made concerning the above-named Special Agent by Deputy Sheriff FRANK TAMBLYN of Olympia, Washington, whom the writer recently contacted while enroute to Vancouver, Washington on official business.

Deputy Sheriff FRANK TAMBLYN stated that, in his opinion, the above-named Special Agent "certainly is the best agent in the following up of matters who has operated in this vicinity." What Mr. TAMBLYN had in mind was the action of Special Agent MAHEU in connection with the case entitled "RICHARD GENE OLD, with aliases. Unlawful Flight to Avoid Prosecution", file number 88-160, in calling him, TAMBLYN, on the long distance telephone and advising of subject's apprehension and soliciting advice as to whether he, TAMBLYN, was desirous of interviewing the said OLD with reference to robberies that have occurred in and about Olympia, Washington. Mr. TAMBLYN stated that this action was rather an unusual one in that it frequently happened when an officer, either of the federal government or of the state, took a prisoner into custody in connection with some offense with which the particular officer was concerned, that the officer seldom had the courtesy to call another officer who might be interested in the particular subject to inquire, as Agent MAHEU did, as to whether the other officer was desirous of interviewing the prisoner prior to his removal to another district to answer trial.

It is little things like this that build good will for the Bureau. I thought that you probably would be happy to be advised of this, as it is seldom that the good things in the way of good will built by a Special Agent comes to the attention of his supervisory official.

Respectfully submitted

J. P. MacFARLAND  
Special Agent

JPM:HJ

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FILE

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Belmont	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Glavin	✓
Mr. Harbo	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Egan	
Mr. Gurnea	
Mr. Hendon	
Mr. Jones	
Mr. Quinn	
Mr. Nease	
Miss Gandy	

50 Moran Place  
New Rochelle, N. Y.  
November 19, 1951

Mr. John Edgar Hoover  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Dept. of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

Personal & Confidential (U)

Dear Mr. Hoover:

About two years ago you were kind enough to recommend me for employment to the President of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad. However, because of prior commitments, I was unable to accept the position which was offered at that time.

Since I am now seeking new employment, I would be very grateful if you would recommend any opportunity which is called to your attention, and for which you feel I am qualified.

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Mrs. Maheu joins me in sending our best regards. We became the parents of another son on last Valentine's Day. We often mention that all this happiness would never have been realized had it not been for her almost miraculous recovery in which you and the Bureau played such an important part.

Very truly yours,

Robert A. Maheu

ROBERT A. MAHEU

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT *AB*

DATE: January 3, 1952

FROM : C. H. STANLEY *CS*

SUBJECT: ROBERT AIME' MAHEU  
 Security and Compliance Officer  
 Small Defense Plants Administration  
 Washington, D. C.  
 LOYALTY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

*A. J. [Signature]*

On this date Mr. C. E. Rightsell of the Civil Service Commission called at the Bureau concerning the above-captioned former Bureau employee. Mr. Rightsell stated the Civil Service Commission had received a "sensitive" loyalty form for Maheu for the position of Security and Compliance Officer, Small Defense Plants Administration, Washington, D. C. He stated the Civil Service Commission had been requested to expedite the processing of this loyalty form and he was desirous, if at all possible, to have the form processed by the Bureau today. He pointed out he knew this was an unusual request but in view of the circumstances would appreciate such action.

The loyalty form was processed by the Records Section today and marked "No disloyal data - FBI files." It is to be noted that Maheu indicated on his loyalty form that he had been employed by the FBI from December, 1940 until November, 1947. It was noted that in his addresses for the past 10 years he stated "April, 1942 to 1 - 1944, under cover assignment out of New York Office, FBI." Personnel file for Maheu does indicate he was in the Bureau as a Special Agent from December, 1940, until July, 1947, when he voluntarily resigned. The file shows that in 1949 the Bureau recommended Maheu for employment with the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad. In November of 1951 Maheu corresponded with the Bureau concerning possible future recommendation for employment. The Bureau wrote back by letter dated November 22, 1951, and advised Mr. Maheu he could be assured the Director would be most happy to suggest his name to any prospective employers.

RECOMMENDATION:

None. This is for information. The loyalty form for Maheu is being returned to the Civil Service Commission marked "No disloyal data - FBI files."

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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November 27, 1951

Mr. Robert A. Maheu  
50 Moran Place  
New Rochelle, New York

Dear Mr. Maheu:

I received your letter of November 19, 1951, and in accordance with your request, you may be assured I shall be most happy to suggest your name to any prospective employers.

I was happy to learn of the birth of your son on Valentine's Day and want to extend congratulations to Mrs. Maheu and you. I hope your son's future will be filled with good health and happiness.

With best wishes and kind regards,

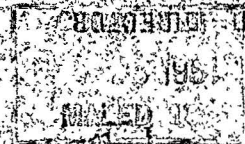
Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

## NOTIFICATION OF PERSONNEL ACTION

1. NAME (MR.—MISS—MRS.—ONE GIVEN NAME, INITIAL(S), AND SURNAME) <b>ROBERT A. MAHEU</b> <i>Mr. Robert A. Maheu</i>		2. DATE OF BIRTH <b>10-11-17</b>	3. JOURNAL OR ACTION NO. <b>100-12-3</b>	4. DATE <b>1-7-52</b>
<i>This is to notify you of the following action affecting your employment:</i>				
5. NATURE OF ACTION (USE STANDARD TERMINOLOGY) <b>Initial Appointment</b>		6. EFFECTIVE DATE <b>1-7-52</b>	7. CIVIL SERVICE OR OTHER LEGAL AUTHORITY <b>C.S. Reg. 7.105(a)(3)</b>	
FROM		TO		
		8. POSITION TITLE <b>Inspector</b>		
		9. SERVICE, SERIES, GRADE, SALARY <b>GS-11-12, \$10,000 per. (For. Ex. 10)</b>		
		10. ORGANIZATIONAL DESIGNATIONS <b>Office of General Counsel</b>		
		11. HEADQUARTERS <b>Washington, D. C.</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> FIELD <input type="checkbox"/> DEPARTMENTAL		12. FIELD OR DEPT'L <input type="checkbox"/> FIELD <input type="checkbox"/> DEPARTMENTAL		
13. VETERAN'S PREFERENCE NONE <input type="checkbox"/> WWII <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER <input type="checkbox"/> 5-PT. <input type="checkbox"/> 10-POINT <input type="checkbox"/> DISAB. <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER <input type="checkbox"/>		14. POSITION CLASSIFICATION ACTION NEW <input type="checkbox"/> VICE <input type="checkbox"/> I. A. <input type="checkbox"/> REAL <input type="checkbox"/>		
15. SEX <b>M</b>	16. RACE <b>W</b>	17. APPROPRIATION FROM: <b>General</b> TO: <b>General</b>		18. SUBJECT TO C. S. RETIREMENT ACT (YES—NO) <b>NO</b>
		19. DATE OF APPOINTMENT AFFIDAVITS (ACCESSIONS ONLY) <b>1-7-52</b>		20. LEGAL RESIDENCE <input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PROVED STATE: <b>DC</b>
21. REMARKS: This action is subject to all applicable laws, rules, and regulations and may be subject to investigation and approval by the United States Civil Service Commission. The action may be corrected or canceled if not in accordance with all requirements.  <i>Last Federal employment: Accepted appointment with Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation, from September 1940 to December 1947. Separated as Special Agent, GS-12.  The classification grade of this position is subject to post-employment correction by appropriate authorities within the Administration, or the Civil Service Commission.</i>				
SEND PERSONNEL FOLDER TO: Personnel Division Small Defense Plants Administration Washington, D. C.  <b>84</b>  ENTRANCE PERFORMANCE RATING: <b>Satisfactory</b>				
22. SIGNATURE OR OTHER AUTHENTICATION  <b>RECORDED-146</b> <b>Official Personnel</b> <b>1-23-52</b> <b>GW-A</b>  <b>67-1-1000-220-136</b> <b>Searched</b> <b>Numbered 17</b> <b>JAN 11 10 11 AM '52</b> <b>12 JAN 14 1952</b> <b>100-12-3</b>				

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Rec. Wackerman's Office 1-15-52 at 4:05 PM  
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MEMORANDUM

RE: ROBERT A. MAHEU

A character and fitness investigation including an appropriate loyalty check was conducted on this employee and he was found suitable for employment in this Bureau.

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MEMORANDUM

RE: ROBERT A. MAHEU

For record purposes this is to advise that from the time Mr. Maheu received an efficiency rating of Excellent on March 31, 1947, to the submission of his resignation which was effective at the close of business July 24, 1947, his services were satisfactory.

3 file  
MND  
JLH



January 18, 1952

Mr. Robert A. Maheu  
50 Moran Place  
New Rochelle, New York

Dear Mr. Maheu:

It was thoughtful of you to write me on January 15, 1952 and advise me that you had accepted the position of Director of Compliance for the Small Defense Plants Administration.

I note that you will be located in Washington, D. C. and, if this Bureau can be of assistance to you in matters of mutual interest, I hope you will not hesitate to call upon us. You have my best wishes for success in your new assignment.

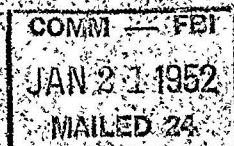
With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

JPM:DW

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Robert A. Maheu - Former Special Agent.  
EOD: December 9, 1940  
RESIGNED: July 24, 1947 to enter private business  
Last grade & salary: CAF-12, \$6623.40  
Record satisfactory.

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Nichols	✓
Mr. Belmont	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Harbo	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Laughlin	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
Tele. Room	
Mr. Nease	
Miss Gandy	

50 Moran Place  
New Rochelle, N. Y.  
January 15, 1952

Mr. John Edgar Hoover  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Dept. of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

Personal & Confidential (U)

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I am very pleased to advise you that because of your recommendation, I was offered and have accepted the position of Director of Compliance for the Small Defense Plants Administration. My starting salary will be \$10,800, and I will be located at Washington, D. C.

It was indeed gratifying to observe the high regard in which the Bureau is held by all of the officials with whom I had interviews.

I sincerely thank you for the excellent and expeditious cooperation which you extended me in this matter.

Very truly yours,

*Robert A. Maheu*

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ROBERT A. MAHEU.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT *AB*  
 FROM : V. P. KERRY *VPK*  
 SUBJECT: ROBERT MAHEU  
 FORMER SPECIAL AGENT

DATE: January 16, 1952

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The captioned former Special Agent has advised SA Clements that he entered on duty on January 7, 1952, as head of the Compliance and Security Branch of Small Defense Plants Administration at a starting grade of GS-15. He anticipates receiving a higher grade soon.

Mr. Maheu indicated his duties would include supervision of personnel investigations, loyalty of employees and related matters. He expressed a desire to cooperate fully with the Bureau whenever possible. His office will be in the Old Post Building on E Street between 13th and 14th Streets. His agency is establishing regional offices at various points throughout the United States.

RECOMMENDATION:

That former Special Agent Maheu's employment in Small Defense Plants Administration be brought to the attention of the Administrative Division for information and record purposes.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. TOLSON

DATE: November 30, 1951

FROM : W. R. GLAVIN

SUBJECT:

Recommended former Employees

Mr. Dan Carr, formerly an excellent contact of this office while at the Bureau of the Budget, and who at the present time is on loan to the Small Defense Production Administration, telephonically communicated with me to inquire as to whether the Bureau could recommend to him any former Bureau employee who could be considered for appointment to the position as Head of the Enforcement Branch of the Small Defense Production Administration.

Mr. Carr stated the salary for this position would be in Grade GS-14 or GS-15.

I advised Mr. Carr that I did not know whether we could make any recommendations to him, however, I would check and let him know if the Director could recommend such a man to him.

As background information, Mr. Carr while at the Bureau of the Budget was very helpful to us in a number of the administrative procedures followed by the Bureau and had commended the Bureau in its administrative procedures to representatives of the Bureau of the Budget and other agencies.

WRC:JC

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED

ADDENDUM: 11/30/51 JPM:DW

I recommend we furnish the following names to Mr. Carr:

Robert H. [unclear]  
 Russe [unclear]  
 Leonard [unclear]  
 Ralph J. [unclear]

All of these former Agents had excellent records in the Bureau's service and I feel are well qualified to handle the position Mr. Carr has in mind.

OK  
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Robert A. Mahan



ADDENDUM: WRC:JC 12-6-51

I spoke to Mr. Dan Carr on December 4, 1951, and advised him of the identity of the former Special Agents above-mentioned. He expressed his deep appreciation for the Director's recommendations in this particular matter.



January 23, 1952

Personnel Division  
Small Defense Plants Administration  
Washington, D. C.

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Gentlemen:

In accordance with your request there is transmitted herewith the Official Personnel Folder of Mr. Robert A. Maheu, a former employee of this Bureau whose resignation was effective at the close of business July 24, 1947.

Very truly yours,

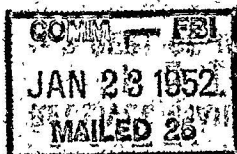
John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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UNITED STATES CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

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# CONFIDENTIAL INQUIRY

Director of Personnel  
U. S. Department of Justice  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

The individual identified below has been appointed to or is an applicant for the position indicated. We are endeavoring to establish whether or not this person is suitable for this position from the standpoints of character and loyalty to the Government of the United States as well as general fitness for the position mentioned. To assist us in this connection we ask that you complete this form answering all the questions below and on the reverse as fully and as specifically as possible and return it to us immediately. Any information you furnish will be treated as confidential. If more space is required to answer any of the questions on this form, use a separate sheet of paper. A self-addressed envelope which requires no postage is enclosed for your reply. We appreciate your cooperation.

NAME <b>HARRE, Robert Alton</b>	ADDRESS <b>50 Horan Pl. ea New Rochelle, N. Y.</b>	POSITION TO WHICH APPOINTED OR APPLIED FOR <b>Security &amp; Compliance</b>
DATE OF BIRTH <b>10-30-17</b>	SOCIAL SECURITY OR OTHER IDENTIFYING NUMBER, IF KNOWN	KIND OF POSITION HELD <b>Special Agent</b>
DATES OF CLAIMED EMPLOYMENT <b>12/40-11/47</b>		BRANCH OR PLANT AT WHICH EMPLOYED

## STATEMENT TO BE COMPLETED BY ADDRESSEE ON THIS INQUIRY

1. HOW LONG HAVE YOU KNOWN THE ABOVE PERSON? YEARS MONTHS	2. IF KNOWN TO YOU, PLEASE INDICATE HIS PRINCIPAL LINE OF WORK
3. ARE YOU RELATED EITHER BY BLOOD OR MARRIAGE? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO (IF YOUR ANSWER IS "YES" STATE RELATIONSHIP.)	
4. HAVE YOU ANY INFORMATION INDICATING: (A) THAT THIS PERSON BELONGS TO ANY ORGANIZATION WHICH ADVOCATES OVERTHROWING OUR CONSTITUTIONAL FORM OF GOVERNMENT BY FORCE OR OTHER ILLEGAL MEANS? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO (B) IF SO, PLEASE GIVE THE NAME(S) OF ANY SUCH ORGANIZATION(S):	
(C) THAT THERE IS ANY REASON TO QUESTION HIS LOYALTY TO THE UNITED STATES? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO (D) IF YOUR ANSWER TO (C) IS "YES," PLEASE STATE BELOW THE REASON(S) YOU QUESTION THIS PERSON'S LOYALTY TO THE UNITED STATES:	

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5. HAVE YOU EVER EMPLOYED OR SUPERVISED THE ABOVE PERSON? ☐ YES ☐ NO

IF YOUR ANSWER IS "YES," PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

(A) DATES OF SUCH EMPLOYMENT

(B) GIVE LAST TITLE OR PAY-ROLL DESIGNATION AND SALARY

(C) WAS HE A SUPERVISORY EMPLOYEE?

☐ YES

☐ NO

(D) REASON FOR LEAVING

(E) IF DISCHARGED OR FORCED TO RESIGN, WAS HE NOTIFIED AS TO THE REASON

☐ YES

☐ NO

6. TO YOUR KNOWLEDGE, HAS HE EVER BEEN DISCHARGED OR FORCED TO RESIGN FROM ANY OTHER EMPLOYMENT?

☐ YES

☐ NO

(A) IF SO, PLEASE GIVE

(1) NAME AND ADDRESS OF EMPLOYERS WHO DISCHARGED HIM:

(2) REASON FOR DISCHARGE OR FORCED RESIGNATION:

7. WHAT IS THIS PERSON'S REPUTATION WITH RESPECT TO HONESTY, INTEGRITY, AND GENERAL CONDUCT?

(A) IF YOUR ANSWER IS UNFAVORABLE, PLEASE EXPLAIN FULLY:

8. ON THE BASIS OF YOUR KNOWLEDGE OF THIS PERSON'S CHARACTER AND LOYALTY, DO YOU RECOMMEND HIM FOR FEDERAL EMPLOYMENT?

☐ YES

☐ NO

(A) IF NOT, PLEASE STATE WHY:

U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE  
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PLEASE SIGN YOUR NAME BELOW

(DATE)

(SIGNATURE)

(OCCUPATION OR TITLE)

UNITED STATES CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

SERIAL NO.

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DATE 1-15-52 gcm

# CONFIDENTIAL INQUIRY

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
U. S. States Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.

The individual identified below has been appointed to or is an applicant for the position indicated. We are endeavoring to establish whether or not this person is suitable for this position from the standpoints of character and loyalty to the Government of the United States as well as general fitness for the position mentioned. To assist us in this connection we ask that you complete this form answering all the questions below and on the reverse as fully and as specifically as possible and return it to us immediately. Any information you furnish will be treated as confidential. If more space is required to answer any of the questions on this form, use a separate sheet of paper. A self-addressed envelope which requires no postage is enclosed for your reply. We appreciate your cooperation.

NAME <b>MAHEU, Robert Aime</b>	ADDRESS <b>50 Moran Place New Rochelle, N. Y.</b>	POSITION TO WHICH APPOINTED OR APPLIED FOR <b>Security &amp; Compliance Officer</b>
DATE OF BIRTH <b>10-30-17</b>	SOCIAL SECURITY OR OTHER IDENTIFYING NUMBER, IF KNOWN	KIND OF POSITION HELD
DATES OF CLAIMED EMPLOYMENT		BRANCH OR PLANT AT WHICH EMPLOYED

## STATEMENT TO BE COMPLETED BY ADDRESSEE ON THIS INQUIRY

1. HOW LONG HAVE YOU KNOWN THE ABOVE PERSON?  
YEARS MONTHS
2. IF KNOWN TO YOU, PLEASE INDICATE HIS PRINCIPAL LINE OF WORK
3. ARE YOU RELATED EITHER BY BLOOD OR MARRIAGE? ☐ YES ☐ NO  
(IF YOUR ANSWER IS "YES" STATE RELATIONSHIP.)
4. HAVE YOU ANY INFORMATION INDICATING:  
(A) THAT THIS PERSON BELONGS TO ANY ORGANIZATION WHICH ADVOCATES OVERTHROWING OUR CONSTITUTIONAL FORM OF GOVERNMENT BY FORCE OR OTHER ILLEGAL MEANS? ☐ YES ☐ NO  
(B) IF SO, PLEASE GIVE THE NAME(S) OF ANY SUCH ORGANIZATION(S):  
  
(C) THAT THERE IS ANY REASON TO QUESTION HIS LOYALTY TO THE UNITED STATES? ☐ YES ☐ NO  
(D) IF YOUR ANSWER TO (C) IS "YES," PLEASE STATE BELOW THE REASON(S) YOU QUESTION THIS PERSON'S LOYALTY TO THE UNITED STATES:

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5. HAVE YOU EVER EMPLOYED OR SUPERVISED THE ABOVE PERSON? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO IF YOUR ANSWER IS "YES," PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:		
(A) DATES OF SUCH EMPLOYMENT	(B) GIVE LAST TITLE OR PAY-ROLL DESIGNATION AND SALARY	
(C) WAS HE A SUPERVISORY EMPLOYEE? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		
(D) REASON FOR LEAVING	(E) IF DISCHARGED OR FORCED TO RESIGN, WAS HE NOTIFIED AS TO THE REASON <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	
6. TO YOUR KNOWLEDGE, HAS HE EVER BEEN DISCHARGED OR FORCED TO RESIGN FROM ANY OTHER EMPLOYMENT? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		
(A) IF SO, PLEASE GIVE (1) NAME AND ADDRESS OF EMPLOYERS WHO DISCHARGED HIM:   (2) REASON FOR DISCHARGE OR FORCED RESIGNATION:		
7. WHAT IS THIS PERSON'S REPUTATION WITH RESPECT TO HONESTY, INTEGRITY, AND GENERAL CONDUCT?		
(A) IF YOUR ANSWER IS UNFAVORABLE, PLEASE EXPLAIN FULLY:		
8. ON THE BASIS OF YOUR KNOWLEDGE OF THIS PERSON'S CHARACTER AND LOYALTY, DO YOU RECOMMEND HIM FOR FEDERAL EMPLOYMENT? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO (A) IF NOT, PLEASE STATE WHY:		
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<b>PLEASE SIGN YOUR NAME BELOW</b>		
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February 26, 1952

Supervisory, Assembly and Closing Unit  
Investigations Division  
Fourth United States Civil Service Region  
United States Civil Service Commission  
Temporary Building B, Room 2104  
Washington 25, D. C.

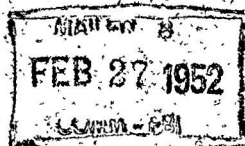
Gentlemen:

Receipt is acknowledged of your inquiries postmarked February 8, 1952, regarding Mr. Robert Aime Mahen, your serial 74-52-58456.

In reply, please be advised Mr. Mahen entered on duty in the Federal Bureau of Investigation on December 9, 1940, as a Special Agent in Grade CAF 9 with salary at the rate of \$3200 per annum and following a period of training he performed investigative duties in various offices of this Bureau. He was promoted to Grade CAF 10, \$3500 per annum, on August 1, 1941; to Grade CAF 11, \$3900 per annum, on August 14, 1942, and to Grade CAF 12, \$4600 per annum, on June 1, 1944. Mr. Mahen submitted his voluntary resignation effective at the close of business July 24, 1947, to establish a permanent residence in Maine and at that time he was receiving salary of \$6623.40 per annum in Grade CAF 12. His services were entirely satisfactory and nothing of a derogatory nature was known concerning his character or integrity during the period in which he was an employee of this Bureau.

There is enclosed your self-addressed envelope.

Very truly yours,



John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson

FROM : L. B. Nichols

SUBJECT:

DATE: January 31, 1952

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Former Special Agent Robert Maheu, a former schoolmate of Mr. McGuire of my office who is now Director of Compliance and Security of the Small Defense Plants Administration located in the old Washington Post Building on Pennsylvania Avenue and 14th Street, mentioned to Mr. McGuire that he was most appreciative for the Director's recommendation which led to his present position. He stated he had written a note to the Director about this but wanted to stop by personally and just shake the Director's hand and tell him in person of his appreciation.

Maheu is trying to find a place to live here in Washington and stated as soon as he gets his family settled he would stop by the Director's office. He thinks he will be able to do this early next week. RECORDED-36

Maheu is a very sincere and capable person. I feel sure that he will do everything possible to be of assistance to the Bureau and I thought the Director might be interested in Maheu's observation to Mr. McGuire and can expect Maheu to drop by the Director's office in the near future.

cc: Mr. Nease  
Mr. Jones

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. TOLSON *Wm*

FROM : W. R. GLAVIN *W*

SUBJECT: ROBERT A. MAHEU  
Former Special Agent *B*

DATE: August 15, 1952

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The above-mentioned former Special Agent is presently employed as Director of the Compliance and Security Branch of the Small Defense Plants Administration.

Mr. Dan Carr, official of the Small Defense Plants Administration personally called at my office this morning (8/14/52) with his assistant, Mr. Henry, and advised that Mr. Maheu is in a Grade 15 position in his present job and the Examining Auditor of the Civil Service Commission has expressed doubt that he should be considered for Grade 15 when the last position he had was in CAF-12. Mr. Carr wanted to know for his own information whether Maheu had any administrative responsibilities while in the Bureau since he had been advised that Maheu had been assistant to Mr. Connelly on a confidential case and in addition thereto, had been in charge of a Section of the New York Office handling administrative procedures there. I furnished Mr. Carr concrete information concerning Maheu's assignments while in the Bureau, pointing out to him that at the time Mr. Maheu was an Agent in the Bureau's service, the top salary for Special Agents in Charge was Grade GS-14. I pointed out that we had had no super grades until recently and the Agent in Charge of the New York Office at the present time is in Grade GS-16, and Mr. Connelly who is an Assistant Director in Charge of Field Activities is in Grade GS-17. Mr. Carr was appreciative of the information furnished to him.

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Mr. Carr telephonically advised Mr. Callahan in my office on the morning of August 15, 1952, that after discussing Maheu's case with the Civil Service Commission yesterday afternoon subsequent to his conversation with me, the Civil Service Commission approved Maheu's qualifications for occupying the Grade GS-15 position to which he was appointed.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson

FROM : L. B. Nichols

SUBJECT:

DATE: April 4, 1952

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*Recommended former Employees*

With reference to Senator Wiley's request for names of former Agents, I propose to give him the five names set forth in the attached memorandum.

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**DUANE L. TRAYNOR**

Mr. Traynor is 42 years of age and married. He has a B. A. and J. D. Degree from the University of North Dakota. He entered on duty with the FBI as a Special Agent on August 2, 1937, and submitted his voluntary resignation on June 28, 1946. He is presently engaged in the practice of law with the firm of Noll, Traynor and Hendricks, 319 1-2 Fifth Street, Springfield, Illinois.

**LEONARD EVAN EDWARDS**

Mr. Edwards was born December 24, 1907, at Minneapolis, Minnesota. He received an LL.B. Degree from the University of Minnesota Law School in 1931. He entered on duty with the FBI on April 28, 1941, in the position of Special Agent. He resigned voluntarily on January 5, 1945. He is married and his last address was 1870 Roblyn Avenue, St. Paul, Minnesota.

**ROBERT A. MAHEU**

Mr. Mahau was born October 30, 1917, in Waterville, Maine. He has a B. S. Degree in Economics from Holy Cross College, Worcester, Massachusetts. He received this degree in 1940. Mr. Mahau entered on duty as a Special Agent with the FBI on December 9, 1940, and resigned voluntarily July 24, 1947. At the present time he is Director of Compliance for the Small Defense Plants Administration, and his office is located in the Old Post Building on E Street between Thirteenth and Fourteenth Streets.

**ANTON ERNEST LARSEN**

Mr. Larsen was born April 3, 1912, in New York City. He received a B. S. Degree from New York University and is a Certified Public Accountant. Mr. Larsen entered the FBI as a Special Agent on June 7, 1937, and resigned voluntarily on December 14, 1945. His last known address was Manager, General Claim Department, Railway Express Agency, 212 East 43rd Street, New York City. He resides at 599 Manville Road, Pleasantville, New York.

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N. J. L. ~~X~~PIEPER

Mr. Pieper was born in St. Louis, Missouri, on July 27, 1908. He received an LLB Degree at Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri, is a member of the Missouri Bar. He practiced law from 1930 to 1934, at which time he was appointed a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. He was assigned to headquarters staff of the FBI and served as Special Agent in Charge at Buffalo, New York, and San Francisco, California, resigning September 14, 1945. He is presently a Vice President of the National Surety Corporation, 4 Albany Street, New York City, and was selected for this job by the present President, Ellis H. Carson.

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September 19, 1952

Mr. Telford Taylor  
Administrator  
Small Defense Plants Administration  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Taylor:

Thank you for your letter of September 15, 1952.

Your thoughtful remarks concerning the assistance received from the FBI are sincerely appreciated by me, and I am pleased that Former Special Agent Robert A. Maheu's work has been so satisfactory. It was a pleasure to have been of service.

Sincerely yours,

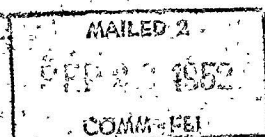
J. Edgar Hoover

NOTE: Robert A. Maheu-Former Special Agent, EOD: 12-9-40; Resigned: 7-24-47, due to the ill health of his wife.

Reply being kept perfunctory inasmuch as Taylor was subject of a loyalty inquiry. Allegations were received that Taylor in 1932 spoke favorably of Russia; had been an associate of Alger Hiss; had in 1942 admitted membership in the National Lawyer's Guild, which has been cited as a Communist front by the HCUA.

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Robert A. Maheu - Former Special Agent  
EOD: December 9, 1940  
RESIGNED: July 24, 1947 due to the ill health of his wife

SMALL DEFENSE PLANTS ADMINISTRATION  
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR

September 15, 1952

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Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Ladd	✓
Mr. Nichols	✓
Mr. Belmont	✓
Mr. Clegg	✓
Mr. Glavin	✓
Mr. Harbo	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Tracy	✓
Mr. Egan	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
Mr. Winterrowd	✓
Tele. Room	✓
Mr. Holloman	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover  
Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

At this time of my departure from the Small Defense Plants Administration, I want to take the opportunity to thank you and your organization for the assistance which you have rendered to this agency. Most particularly, I am very grateful to you for having recommended Robert A. Maheu, a former agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, for the position of Director of our Compliance and Security Office. Mr. Maheu's presence here has been a source of great satisfaction and security, both to me and to the agency as a whole. I cannot commend him too highly for the manner in which he has performed this difficult and important assignment.

With renewed thanks I am,

Sincerely yours,

*Telford Taylor*  
Telford Taylor  
Administrator

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Falls Church, Virginia

October 21, 1952

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Mr. Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Clegg ✓  
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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover  
Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

It was very thoughtful of you to offer me an opportunity of having a personal interview with you last week.

You may rest assured that if I am successful in getting a more permanent position in industry, I shall continue to exercise every effort so that my work will reflect favorably upon the excellent training which I received during my years in the Bureau.

Sincerely yours,

*Robert A. Maheu*

Robert A. Maheu

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

October 8, 1952

Re: Former SA Robert A. Maheu  
EOD: 12-9-40  
Resigned: 7-24-47

Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Harbo \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Tracy \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Laughlin \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Jones \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Winterrowd \_\_\_\_\_  
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Mr. Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Holmes \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

Former SA Maheu called me this morning and stated he would like very much to see you concerning a personal matter. He stated that he would like to thank you for everything you have done for him in the past and also get your advice concerning his plans for the future.

Mr. Maheu had an excellent record in the Bureau. He was recommended by the Director for his present position as Director of Compliance for the Small Defense Plants Administration.

Mr. Maheu can be reached on Code 1276, Extension 3255.

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October 21, 1952

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

On October 16, 1952, I saw former Special Agent Robert A. Maheu, who is presently Director of Compliance for the Small Defense Plants Administration. Mr. Maheu wanted to express his appreciation for the Bureau's recommending him for this employment. He also stated that in view of the fact that the Small Defense Plants Administration might be ultimately discontinued, he wanted the Bureau to keep him in mind to be recommended for any other position which the Bureau might feel he is qualified to fill.

Very truly yours,

*J. E. H.*

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Glavin

DATE: 1-24-53

FROM : H.L. Edwards

SUBJECT: ROBERT A. MAHEU  
Former Special Agent

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SYNOPSIS

New York and Boston Offices were telephonically instructed on 1/24/53 to conduct immediate discreet inquiry into allegations contained in letter dated 1/19/53 from Jerome G. Daviau, Attorney, Waterville, Maine, indicating irregular activities on part of Former SA Maheu in connection with private business enterprise.

DETAILS

Under date of 1/19/53 Jerome G. Daviau, Attorney at Law, Waterville, Maine, addressed a letter to the Director stating that he understood Former SA Maheu had been recommended by the Director to an assignment bearing on our national security and he was concerned whether or not Maheu deserves the Director's personal recommendation. Mr. Daviau indicated that Maheu had engaged in irregular activities in connection with a business enterprise known as "Dairy Dream Cream" and stated that many people had been "flimflamed" as a result of investing money in this enterprise. He furnished the names of various individuals in Waterville, Maine, and New York City who could furnish information in this regard. The Director noted "Get to bottom of this promptly."

It is noted Former SA Maheu entered on duty with the Bureau on 12/9/40 and voluntarily resigned on 7/24/47 because of his wife's health. His record was very satisfactory and he was Resident Agent at Waterville, Maine, at the time he resigned. Since his resignation, the Director has recommended him for various positions, the most recent one being on 12/2/52 when his name was suggested to Senator McCarthy (along with five other former Agents) for the Senator to consider for work with his Committee to Investigate the Executive Branch of the Government.

Former SA Maheu's file reflects that on 9/16/49 he mentioned in a letter to the Director that about a year previous he had formed a corporation known as "Dairy Dream Farms, Inc." which had exclusive rights to a process for canning pure sweet cream whereby the cream could be kept indefinitely without refrigeration. This is apparently the business enterprise to which Mr. Daviau refers. In his letter, Maheu indicated in his letter to the Director in 1949 that he was the major stockholder in this corporation.

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Memo to Glavin  
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On 1/24/53 a summary of the information in Mr. Daviau's letter was telephonically furnished to SAC Hostetter of Boston and he was instructed to have an immediate discreet inquiry conducted in his division to determine if Former SA Maheu had engaged in any questionable or irregular activities in connection with the matter mentioned. He was instructed that the letter from Mr. Daviau should be orally acknowledged at the time the latter was interviewed in this connection. SA Supervisor Thomas M. Curran of the New York Office was also contacted telephonically on the same date (in the absence from the office of the SAC and ASACs) and instructed that a similar discreet inquiry should be conducted in New York. Both SAC Hostetter and Supervisor Curran were advised that this matter should be assigned to mature and experienced personnel, should be handled in a very discreet manner, and the results furnished the Bureau as soon as possible. Copies of Mr. Daviau's letter were mailed to the Boston and New York Offices on 1/24/53 for their assistance in this inquiry.

// This matter will be closely followed and an appropriate summary submitted immediately upon receipt of the results of inquiry by the Boston and New York Divisions.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson

FROM : L. B. Nichols

SUBJECT:

DATE: December 22, 1952

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Former Special Agent Robert Maheu called locally and advised that his father was in town from Maine and has never visited Washington previously, nor had his son, Peter, age eleven.

Arrangements were made for Mr. Maheu and his grandson to call at the Tour Room at 9:30 A.M., Wednesday, December 24th, at which time we will see they are given a special tour.

Maheu has always been most friendly to the Bureau and has expressed special interest in having his father and his son see the range.

cc: Tour Room

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. TOLSON

DATE: 12/2/52

FROM : J. P. MOHR

SUBJECT:

There is attached a letter to Senator Joseph R. McCarthy from the Director furnishing him with the names of six former Special Agents for the Senator to consider for work with his Committee in investigating the activities of the Government. The six former Special Agents recommended all have had excellent records in the Bureau's service and there is nothing in their files to reflect they are partisan with respect to their political viewpoint in any respect. They have all had a wealth of experience in and out of the Bureau and would all be well qualified for the position the Senator has in mind. The following is submitted with respect to each of them:

1. DANIEL L. O'CONNOR is presently engaged in the private practice of law in Washington, D. C. and his name has been furnished a number of sources for employment prospects. He has maintained a very cordial relationship with the Bureau and at the present time is engaged in doing some special work for Mr. Lowell A. Mayberry.

2. ROBERT A. COLLIER is presently employed as Counsel for the Chief Committee investigating the Justice Department. It is not known whether Collier would be interested in any position with the Senate Committee or whether he intends to continue his work with the House Subcommittee. It is felt, however, that he has an excellent background for Senator McCarthy's Committee and he may well desire to make a change and it is felt Senator McCarthy might want to consider him.

3. EDWARD C. KENNELLY has been recommended for various positions by the Bureau in view of his excellent record in the Bureau's service as well as his cooperative attitude exhibited since leaving the Bureau. He went to Greece to serve as Assistant Legal Counsel with the American Mission for Aid to Greece and later served in the same capacity with the ECA Mission in Greece. He returned to this country in January of 1952 and he has since been working with various Congressional Committees in the Hill. His last assignment was with the Cox Committee investigating foundations.

4. CARMINE S. BELLENO has been recommended to a number of sources since leaving the Bureau's service and he has maintained a very cordial cooperative relationship with the Bureau. He is a Certified Public Accountant with offices in the District of Columbia and he has worked with a number of Congressional committees. He has done a considerable amount of work for the Senate Committee on Expenditures in the Executive Departments.

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5. ROBERT A. MAHEU has been recommended to various sources for employment opportunities and he was last recommended for a position with the Small Defense Plants Administration where he occupied the position of Director. He was in to see the Director on October 16, 1952 and expressed appreciation for the Bureau's recommendation and advised the Director that his position might ultimately be discontinued and he wanted the Bureau to keep him in mind for any other positions the Bureau might feel he is qualified to fill.

6. LEONARD E. EDWARDS has been recommended for a number of positions and has maintained friendly cordial relationships with the Bureau, particularly with Mr. Nichols. Edwards was formerly administrative assistant to Senator Thye, Republican of Minnesota, and he left that position and took a job with a public relations firm in Minneapolis.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended the attached letter go forward to Senator McCarthy with the short biographical sketches on the six Special Agents listed.

✓ *W. Frank*

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December 2, 1952

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Recommended Former Employees

Honorable Joseph R. McCarthy  
United States Senate  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Joe:

Apropos of our telephonic conversation, I am attaching a list containing short biographical sketches of six former Special Agents of this Bureau whom you may desire to consider for work with your Committee.

I do not know whether any of them are interested or available for such employment at this time. It is my suggestion that you communicate directly with them. All of these men had excellent records in the Bureau's service and I feel have the background, training and qualifications for the position you have in mind.

If there is anything further I can do, I hope you will not hesitate to promptly communicate with me.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely,

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DANIEL L. X O'CONNOR. Mr. O'Connor is 38 years of age and married. He received an LL.B. Degree from Georgetown University. Mr. O'Connor entered on duty as a Special Agent of the FBI on June 26, 1939 and submitted his voluntary resignation effective October 15, 1945. He is presently engaged in the practice of law at 1010 Vermont Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C.

ROBERT A. X COLLIER. Mr. Collier is 35 years of age and married. He received A.B. and LL.B. Degrees from the University of Texas. Mr. Collier entered on duty as a Special Agent of the FBI on April 1, 1941 and submitted his voluntary resignation effective October 26, 1951. His present address is 412 Jefferson Street, Alexandria, Virginia.

EDWARD C. X KENNELLY. Mr. Kennelly is 36 years of age and married. He received an A.B. Degree from Holy Cross College and an LL.B. Degree from the Harvard Law School. He entered on duty as a Special Agent of the FBI on August 26, 1940 and submitted his voluntary resignation effective May 31, 1946. His present address is 2501 North 11th Street, Arlington, Virginia.

CARMINE S. X BELLINO. Mr. Bellino is 47 years of age and married. He received a B.C.S. Degree from New York University. He entered on duty as a Special Agent of the FBI on March 19, 1934 and submitted his voluntary resignation effective March 7, 1945. Mr. Bellino is presently a Certified Public Accountant with offices at 917 Fifteenth Street, N. W., Washington 5, D. C. His residence address is 105 Jessup Lane, Bethesda 14, Maryland.

ROBERT A. X MAHEU. Mr. Maheu is 35 years of age and married. He received a B.S. Degree from Holy Cross College. He entered on duty as a Special Agent of the FBI on December 9, 1940 and submitted his voluntary resignation effective July 24, 1947. His present address is 1209 Allan Avenue, Falls Church, Virginia.

LEONARD E. X EDWARDS. Mr. Edwards is 44 years of age and married. He received an LL.B. Degree from the University of Minnesota Law School. He entered on duty with the FBI as a Special Agent on April 28, 1941 and submitted his voluntary resignation effective January 5, 1945. His present address is 1870 Roblyn Avenue, St. Paul 4, Minnesota.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: January 26, 1953

FROM : SAC, BOSTON

SUBJECT: ROBERT MAHEU  
FORMER SPECIAL AGENT  
FBI

Per Bureau telephone call January 24, 1953, requesting inquiries re allegations made by JEROME G. DAVIAU, Attorney-at-law, 58 Main Street, Waterville, Maine, re ROBERT MAHEU, there are set forth herewith the results of interviews conducted by Special Agent RICHARD B. KELLOGG on January 26, 1953:

JEROME DAVIAU, Attorney, 58 Main Street, Waterville, Maine, was interviewed and his letter to the Director acknowledged. He stated he had brought suit against MAHEU in New York recently for services previously rendered, was successful in the suit, and following the proceedings MAHEU threatened DAVIAU with disbarment or with otherwise causing him trouble.

DAVIAU felt with the prestige MAHEU derived from his association with the Bureau, plus his understanding that the Director had formerly recommended MAHEU for a position involving trust, he felt the Director should be advised concerning MAHEU's activities since leaving the Bureau. He stated on leaving the FBI, MAHEU and RAYMOND FORTIN organized a brokerage house to operate without inventory in order to lessen overhead, which failed. MAHEU then contacted a man in Canada who was canning sweet cream and made a deal to handle this product in the United States.

On the basis of this, MAHEU organized Dairy Dream Farms, Inc., which was incorporated in New York, and then borrowed money on this project and sold stock to numerous persons by telling them of orders which had been promised and even displaying a reportedly forged telegram purporting to be an order from the War Department for the product. He stated he had heard these inducements from his clients and did not feel he could divulge their identities.

After getting this money, MAHEU went to New York, where he purchased an expensive home and traveled extensively on the money thus received, although it was nearly a year before any stock certificates were issued, by which time most of the money was gone, and DAVIAU could not see how this could be legally done. DAVIAU said Dairy Dreams failed and the persons who loaned money or purchased stock have never received any returns, and he feels MAHEU has made no attempt to make good these losses.

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DAVIAU felt MAHEU got most of his money on prestige received from his association with the FBI; that his failure was more than just error in judgment, and he has made no attempt to make good the losses caused by his reckless spending of other people's money for his own benefit.

ROBERT GOODE, Manager, Western Union, Waterville, Maine, stated he was well acquainted with MAHEU's business ventures, as RAYMOND FORTIN, his nephew, was also involved in them. He said the failure of the business was due to lack of knowledge, foresight, and due to no lack of good faith by MAHEU. He stated MAHEU did have a telegram machine at his office and it would have been possible for him to make a telegram but he knew nothing of such activities except what DAVIAU told him about a week ago when he stated MAHEU had displayed such a telegram to EMILE DAVIAU, the complainant's brother.

Fr. MARCOTTE, St. Francis Parish, Waterville, Maine, stated he, his associate Fr. HACHEY, who was not available for interview, MAHEU's father, and many other persons lost money in MAHEU's venture, but he felt it was surely through no dishonesty on the part of MAHEU. He stated he had made a personal loan to MAHEU and has never questioned that it will some day be repaid, and has been told by MAHEU that he will be repaid as well as the others who lost money. He stated he feels MAHEU is sincere and nothing he did reflects in any way on his integrity or honesty.

ONESIMI BOLDUC, owner, Bambi Bakery, Waterville, Maine, stated he loaned MAHEU \$1,000 and purchased stock in his company and believed MAHEU was in good faith in all his activity. He stated ARTHUR DUPLESSIS, owner, Community Bus Line, Waterville, Maine, who is presently in Florida, had a large amount of money in MAHEU's venture and has told BOLDUC that MAHEU has constantly made payments on a note at the bank which DUPLESSIS endorsed.

BOLDUC stated he has known MAHEU all his life and feels he is honest in every respect. He added he has seen a letter from the Director to MAHEU which was written when MAHEU left the FBI and, although it is complimentary, it says nothing concerning the recommendation on the part of the Director. He said he understood an attorney in Waterville who had recently sued MAHEU had told MAHEU following the proceedings that he would see to it that MAHEU's activity did not go unnoticed.

FREDERICK KNAUFF, President, Federal Trust Company, Waterville, Maine, stated they had loaned MAHEU a large amount of money on endorsement of two of their customers and MAHEU had paid on these notes with regularity. He stated he has asked MAHEU why he did not go through bankruptcy, and MAHEU stated he did

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not wish to but intended, if at all possible, to pay back everything he lost. KNAUFF displayed a recent letter from MAHEU in which MAHEU apologized for his slowness in making payments and set out in full his income and usual expenses to show his financial difficulties. KNAUFF stated he felt certain that MAHEU acted in good faith and continues to do so.

Major RAYMOND FORTIN, Adjutant General's Office, State House, Augusta, Maine, stated he worked with MAHEU for three or four years in the Dairy Dream venture and lost not only his time but all his money, and was sure MAHEU acted in good faith throughout the entire deal. He stated they did have verbal agreement for orders of their products which did not materialize, and added he was sure there was nothing fraudulent or dishonest in the setup of the corporation. He said MAHEU and the Dairy Dream Corporation had made a contract with the American Dairy Products Corporation of New York City that the latter company, which had purchased the former company, was to handle the Dairy Dream product and a per cent of the proceeds was to go to the payment of the debt incurred by Dairy Dream and for nothing else.

The above information was telephonically communicated to the Bureau on January 26, 1953.

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Glavin

FROM : H. L. Edwards Jr

SUBJECT: ROBERT A. MAHEU  
Former Special Agent

DATE: January 29, 1953

SYNOPSIS

Former Special Agent Maheu has been recommended by the Director for various positions since resigning from Bureau on 7/24/47. Under date of 1/19/53 Jerome G. Daviau, Attorney, Waterville, Maine, addressed a letter to Director alleging that Maheu had acted dishonestly in connection with business venture known as "Dairy Dream Farms, Inc.," and did not deserve Director's personal recommendation which he understood Maheu had received. Daviau's letter has been orally acknowledged by Boston Office. Inquiry reflects Daviau has apparently had considerable controversy with Maheu in connection with "Dairy Dream Farms" and sued Maheu in Municipal Court, New York City, during November, 1952, for legal services rendered. Roland Vigue of New York states Maheu told Judge during this hearing that he, Maheu, had been recommended for the position he held at that time by the Director. Jerome Daviau made no mention of this incident in his letter or upon subsequent interview. Inquiry reflects Maheu apparently experienced extensive financial difficulties in connection with "Dairy Dream Farms" and still owes considerable money as a result. Daviau and Roland Vigue do not believe Maheu acted honestly and in good faith in this connection and feel he has capitalized on former association with FBI. Various individuals at Waterville, Maine, including several who lost money in Maheu's venture, feel Maheu acted in good faith and is attempting to see that investors who lost money are eventually repaid. Administrative Division recommends that in view of information developed, no further inquiry be made but that Maheu not be recommended by Bureau for any positions in the future.

BACKGROUND

You will recall that under date of 1/19/53 Jerome G. Daviau, Attorney at Law, Waterville, Maine, addressed a letter to the Director stating that he understood former SA Maheu had been recommended by the Director for an assignment bearing on our national security and he was concerned whether or not Maheu deserves the Director's personal recommendation. Mr. Daviau indicated that Maheu had engaged in irregular activities in connection with a business venture known as "Dairy Dream Cream" and stated that many people had been "flimflamed" as a result of investing money in this enterprise. He furnished the names of various individuals in Waterville, Maine, as well as an individual in New York City, who could furnish information in this regard. The Director noted, "Get to bottom of this promptly."

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Bureau files reflect that in 1944 Mr. Daviau wrote the Bureau stating that he had information concerning F. Harold Dubord whose name had been suggested for a Federal Judgeship in Maine. There is no other reference to Daviau in Bureau files.

A summary of the information contained in Mr. Daviau's letter was telephonically furnished on Saturday, 1/24/53 to SAC Hostetter of the Boston Office and Supervisor Thomas W. Curran of the New York Office who were instructed to have an immediate discreet inquiry conducted in their Divisions to determine if former SA Maheu had engaged in any questionable or irregular activities as alleged. SAC Hostetter was instructed that Mr. Daviau's letter should be orally acknowledged at the time he was interviewed. Copies of the letter from Daviau were furnished to the Boston and New York Offices on 1/24/53 for their assistance in this inquiry.

#### PERSONNEL DATA RE MAHEU

Former SA Maheu entered on duty with the Bureau on 12/9/40 and voluntarily resigned on 7/24/47 because of his wife's health. His Bureau record was generally satisfactory and at the time of his resignation he was serving as Resident Agent at Waterville, Maine. Since his resignation, the Director has recommended him for various positions, the most recent one being on 12/2/52 when his name was suggested to Senator McCarthy (along with five other former Agents) for his consideration for work with his Committee to Investigate the Executive Branch of the Government. Maheu's file reflects that he served during 1952 as Director of Compliance for the Small Defense Plants Administration, for which position he was recommended by the Director. Maheu mentioned in a letter to the Director on 9/16/49 that about a year previous he had formed a corporation known as "Dairy Dream Farms, Inc.," which had exclusive rights to a process for canning pure sweet cream whereby the cream could be kept indefinitely without refrigeration. Maheu indicated in this letter that he was the largest stockholder in this corporation, which is apparently the business enterprise to which Jerome G. Daviau refers in his letter.

#### RESULTS OF INQUIRY

The Boston Office has interviewed Jerome G. Daviau and orally acknowledged his letter. Daviau stated that he had recently brought suit against Maheu in New York for services previously rendered, was successful in the suit, and that thereafter Maheu threatened him with disbarment or with otherwise causing him trouble. Daviau felt that the Director

should be advised concerning Maheu's activities since leaving the Bureau in view of the prestige Maheu derives from his association with the Bureau and Daviau's understanding that the Director had formerly recommended Maheu for a position involving trust.

According to Daviau, after Maheu left the FBI he and one Raymond Fortin organized a brokerage house which failed and Maheu then contacted a man in Canada who was canning sweet cream and made a deal to handle this product in the United States. Thereafter Maheu organized a corporation known as "Dairy Dream Farms, Inc.," and then borrowed money on this project and sold stock to numerous individuals by telling them of orders which had been promised and even displaying a reportedly forged telegram purporting to be an order from the War Department for the product. Daviau stated he had received this information from clients and did not feel he could divulge the identities of these clients. He further stated that after obtaining this money, Maheu purchased an expensive home in New York and traveled extensively on the money received although it was nearly a year before any stock certificates were issued and by that time most of the money was gone. Daviau could not see how this could be done legally. He said that Maheu's business venture failed and the persons who loaned money or purchased stock have never received any returns and Daviau feels Maheu has made no attempt to make good these losses. In summary, it was Daviau's feeling that Maheu got most of his money on prestige received from his association with the FBI; that his failure was more than just an error in judgment and he had made no attempt to make good the losses caused by his reckless spending of other peoples' money for his own benefit.

The Boston Office interviewed various individuals at Waterville, Maine, who were mentioned in Daviau's letter as having information concerning this matter. All of the individuals interviewed were acquainted with Maheu's business ventures and in several instances stated that they themselves had invested and lost money in Maheu's company. However, none felt that Maheu had been guilty of any dishonesty or fraud in this connection and they believed that Maheu had acted in good faith and regarded him as an individual of integrity and honesty. Father Marcott, a Catholic Priest at Waterville, stated that he had made a personal loan to Maheu and has never questioned that it will some day be repaid and Maheu has told him that he, as well as other persons who lost money in Maheu's venture, would be repaid. Father Marcott felt that Maheu is sincere and nothing he did reflects in any way on his integrity or honesty. Similar information was furnished by Robert Goode, Manager of Western Union; Onesimi Bolduc, owner of a bakery; and

Frederick Knauff, President of the Federal Trust Company at Waterville. Mr. Knauff mentioned that he had asked Maheu why he did not go into bankruptcy and Maheu stated he did not wish to do this but intended, if at all possible, to pay back everything he lost. All of these individuals felt that Maheu had acted in good faith.

Major Raymond Fortin, Adjutant General's Office, Augusta, Maine, who was associated with Maheu in the Dairy Dream venture, stated he was sure Maheu acted in good faith throughout the entire deal and that the failure of this venture was due to the fact that verbal agreement for orders of their product did not materialize.

The New York Office contacted Roland Vigue, 205 East 72nd Street, Apartment 4H, New York City, who was suggested in Daviau's letter as having information concerning this matter. Vigue, who has known Maheu for 20 years, stated that Maheu sold some sixty thousand to seventy thousand dollars in stock to local residents of Waterville, Maine, in connection with the Dairy Dream venture. The stock, according to Vigue, is presently worthless. He stated that Maheu raised money through personal loans from various individuals in Waterville and it is his opinion that none of these loans have been repaid. He further stated that Maheu owes him \$1800 which was borrowed several years ago and has not been repaid despite written and oral requests. In addition, the "Dairy Dream Farms, Inc.," owes him \$960 and the original debt with this company was \$2100. Vigue suggested the names of numerous individuals located at various points throughout the United States who might be able to provide additional information regarding Maheu's activities in this connection because of their association with him or as a result of money advanced to either Maheu or his company.

Vigue also mentioned that in November, 1952, Maheu was sued in Municipal Court, New York City, by Jerome G. Daviau for legal services rendered and he understood that during the course of this hearing, Maheu told the Judge he was recommended for the position he held at that time by the Director of the FBI. Vigue expressed the opinion that Maheu is not honest, has a capacity for intrigue, and capitalizes on his former association with the FBI. The New York Office ascertained from records of the New York Municipal Court that Daviau sued Maheu in that court on 11/25/52 before Judge Mitchell D. Schweitzer for \$1600 representing professional services. Daviau was awarded \$425 and Maheu was awarded \$304.95 on a counter claim, resulting in a net award to Daviau of \$101.05.

CONCLUSIONS.

It appears from the above information that Maheu had extensive financial difficulty in connection with his business venture and still owes considerable money as a result of this venture. Mr. Daviau has apparently had considerable controversy with Maheu in this connection and he, as well as Roland Vigue, do not feel Maheu has acted in good faith. However, various other individuals at Waterville, Maine, do not feel Maheu was guilty of dishonesty or fraud in this connection and indicate he has made and is making efforts to see that the investors who lost money in this venture are repaid.

RECOMMENDATION OF ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION:

In view of the information developed, it is recommended that no further inquiry be made in this matter but that Maheu not be recommended by the Bureau for any position in the future.

A PERMANENT BRIEF OF MAHEU'S PERSONNEL FILE IS ATTACHED.

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JEROME G. DAVIAU  
ATTORNEY AT LAW  
58 MAIN STREET  
WATERVILLE, MAINE

January 19, 1953

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Ladd	✓
Mr. Nichols	✓
Mr. Belmont	✓
Mr. Clegg	✓
Mr. Glavin	✓
Mr. Harbo	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Tracy	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
Mr. Winterrowd	✓
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Mr. Sizoo	
Miss Gandy	

J. Edgar Hoover  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Re: Robert Maheu

It is without hesitation that I write the following, though I have given it months of thought before reducing it to writing.

I understand that the above subject has been highly recommended by you to an assignment having bearing on our national security. Just what it is, I do not know. I am concerned, however, with whether or not subject deserves your personal recommendation, and also whether he is making proper use of the same. The fact that subject has been and is now directing the advantages he derives from your recommendation, such as prestige, connection and power, against me, only tend to impugn my motives, but not to alter the facts nor the principle involved.

Up until the time above subject was a Federal agent out of your office and left the Bureau to engage in business, no one could question his integrity, nor your own judgment in the matter. Since then, however, the situation has changed to an unbelievable degree.

I feel certain that if your department unravels his doings from then on, to date, that under no circumstance would you tolerate him either as an agent of the bureau, or doing any work where any part of our national security is involved, unless basic honesty is not a requisite.

I am not going to attempt to give you the story, as it would in all probability be inaccurate, perhaps exaggerated, and even biased. It is my impression, however, that very many people, including people in all walks of life, in several states and two countries have been flimflamed and in the process, state as well as Federal Statutes have been flagrantly violated.

From the time that subject conceived the idea of entering business for himself, till the time he sought refuge in the F. B. I., many people lost not only their life savings, but some of them lost the savings earned while flying missions during the last war. Anyway, if this means anything to you, I give you the following names and addresses for purpose of investigation:

Raymond Fortin - Augusta, Maine, -- Federal Trust Company,  
Waterville, Maine, -- Arthur Duplessie, Waterville, Maine, --  
Robert Goode, Western Union, Waterville, -- (All the grocery  
men around Waterville and vicinity) -- Reverend Roland Mar-  
cotte and Reverend Hachey, Catholic Priests of Waterville,  
(who also lost money to this individual) - Onesime J. Bolduc  
of Bolduc Baking Company in Waterville.

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Robert A. Maheu - Former Special Agent

EOD: 12-9-40 Resigned: 7-24-47 (Voluntary because of his wife's health) CAF-12 \$6623.40

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Maheu's file reflects that the Director has recommended him for various positions since he resigned the Bureau. The most recent one was that his name was suggested to Senator McCarthy (along with five other former Agents) for the Senator to consider for work with his Committee to Investigate the Executive Branch of the Government.

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These individuals can give you leads to countless other individuals in the City of Waterville and vicinity who either parted with their money on outright loans or with the purchase of prospective issue of stocks in Dairy Dream Cream. In too many instances, the (inducements) were verbal assurances, or faked telegrams, purporting to order large quantities of the proposed cream. One individual in Canada by the name of L. P. Turgeon of Beauceville, was taken in, I understand, on the same kind of story.

We can now shift to New York and I'll refer you to the officers of Dairy Dream, Incorporated, its records and the manner in which some of the laws of securities exchange commission are avoided. I also invite you to talk to the officers of this company, as well as that of American Dairy. At least, Roland Vigue of 205 East 72nd Street, Apartment 4-h, New York 21, N. Y., can certainly give you all the leads you require.

After you get through with this investigation, if it is found that subject is a person of honesty and integrity, and worthy of the support of your great office, I will never again advance the opinion as to the worth of any man in that respect. Though some people will be more willing than others to divulge facts, yet I think that the facts are readily ascertainable. Then, I think certain conclusions will be inescapable.

Very truly yours,

*Jerome G. Daviau*  
Jerome G. Daviau  
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*Doston & Hy instructed telephonically 1/24/53 to conduct appropriate discreet inquiry & advise results as soon as possible. Copies of letter mailed to them 1/24/53.  
Doston instructed to reply adv. letter - 7041*

*Memo to Sherrin  
1-24-53  
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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI  
 FROM : SAC, New York  
 SUBJECT: ROBERT MAHEU;  
 BUREAU INQUIRY  
 RESEARCH

Attention: Assistant Director W. R. Glavin

DATE: 1/27/53

Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

Reference is made to Bureau telephonic communication from Mr. Hereford.

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 ROLAND VIGUE, 205 East 72nd Street, Apt. 4H, telephone, EE 5-3933, employed by Lord and Taylor, Shirt Department, New York City, advised that he has known ROBERT MAHEU for twenty years. He said that they both originally came from Waterville, Maine.

VIGUE said that MAHEU owes him \$1,800. The money was borrowed several years ago, and despite written and oral requests, no attempt has been made to repay the loan. In addition, DAIRY DREAM FARMS, INC., now AMERICAN DAIRY PRODUCTS CORPORATION, owe him \$960. He said the original debt with the company was for \$2,100.

**EXPEDITE PROCESSING**

VIGUE explained that the DAIRY DREAM FARMS, INC., through ROBERT MAHEU, sold \$60,000 to \$70,000 in stock to local residents of Waterville, Maine. The stock presently, according to VIGUE, is worthless.

MAHEU also raised money through personal loans from people in Waterville, Maine: EMILE ROY, \$300 to \$400; RAY FORTIN, \$4,000 to \$5,000; and ARTHUR DUPLESSI COMMUNITY BUS LINES, \$10,000. VIGUE said that it is his opinion none of these loans has been repaid.

According to VIGUE, last November, in Municipal Court, New York City, ROBERT MAHEU was sued by JEROME DAVIAU for legal services rendered. During the hearing in open court, MAHEU told the judge he was recommended for his present position by J. Edgar Hoover, Director of the FBI. VIGUE said that in his opinion MAHEU is not honest, has a capacity for intrigue, and capitalizes on his former association with the FBI.

He suggested the following names as persons able to provide additional information because of their association with either MAHEU or DAIRY DREAM FARMS, INC., or as a result of money advanced to either MAHEU or the company:

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1. CHARLES BLAISDELL, \$7,000 to \$10,000; BILL DUNN (both former Agents and lawyers for the firm).
2. CARLTON SAWYER - chemicals, New York City.
3. ROBERT GOTTESMAN )
4. STANLEY SHOTLAND ) All employed by Schenley,
5. PAUL KOVACS (associated ) 350 Fifth Avenue, NYC  
with MAHEU in company) )
6. MILTON DIAMOND, Madison Hotel, New York City.
7. JOHN TURLETAUB, Paramount Building.
8. JOHN MCGARVEY ) Associated WHOLESALE FOOD
9. OWEN ) Co., Washington, D.C.
10. JAMES DUGGAN, Buffalo, New York (former Agent,  
originally with MAHEU in company)
11. HAROLD STEINER, Mauston, Wisconsin - canned cream  
for company.
12. KYLE SHEFFER, printing plant, Chicago, loan \$5,000.
13. MILTON ALLEN, Calias, Maine, loan \$5,000.
14. Mr. DUNBAR, BARETT HERRICK, 37 Wall Street - sold  
stock for company; won't talk.
15. HOWARD CORCORAN (brother of "TOMMY CORK"), 52 Wall  
Street, legal fees, \$10,000.
16. HENRY SEARS, Fifth or Madison Avenue, New York City.
17. DOROTHY CONSTANTINO, nee MACONE; husband Special  
Agent in Detroit; owes DOROTHY \$600 in back pay.

Records of Municipal Court, Central Jury, Room 504, C8464, reflect: DAVIAU, plaintiff, and MAHEU, defendant, appeared on November 25th, Part II, before Judge MITCHELL D. SCHWEITZER with a jury in a civil action. DAVIAU entered a claim of \$1,600 for professional services. Jury awarded \$425 and the Judge directed jury to award MAHEU \$304.95 on a counter claim. The plaintiff then was awarded net of \$101.05. MAHEU was defended by CORCORAN AND KOSTELANETZ. Details are recorded under index No. 48834-1950-1st District.

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Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Belmont	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Glavin	✓
Mr. Harbo	✓
Mr. Rosen	
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Mr. Sizoo	
Miss Gandy	

1209 Allan Avenue  
Falls Church, Virginia

March 20, 1953

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Mr. John Edgar Hoover  
Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I am very pleased to advise you that on March 3, 1953, Mrs. Maheu and I became the parents of a daughter, Christine Ann.

It seems such a short time ago when we were told by leading physicians that never again would we be able to have children because of my wife's serious illness. We have since had two healthy children and Mrs. Maheu's condition continues to be excellent.

At a time like this, we would be amiss not to renew our gratefulness to those who were responsible for making our life such a happy one.

Mrs. Maheu and I are still firmly convinced that her full recovery never could have been possible without the excellent cooperation extended by you and the Bureau.

I assure you again that we shall always be appreciative.

Sincerely yours,

*Robert A. Maheu*

Robert A. Maheu

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March 27, 1958

Mr. Robert A. Maheu  
1209 Allen Avenue  
Falls Church, Virginia

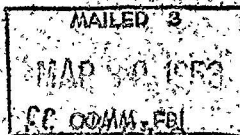
Dear Mr. Maheu:

I have your letter of March 20, 1958, and I want to offer my congratulations to Mrs. Maheu and you on the recent birth of your little daughter, Christine Ann.

Sincerely,

J. Edgar Hoover

CC - Personnel Officer (P&C)



Maheu EOD 12-9-40 and resigned 7-24-47 because of his wife's health. A cordial letter is not being sent in Maheu's case, in view of the following: Maheu has experienced extensive financial difficulties since leaving the Bureau and it has been reported that when sued in court for legal services rendered him, Maheu attempted to capitalize on his former associations with the FBI and flaunted the fact that he had been recommended by the Director for the position he held. In view of this, Maheu's name has been removed from our Former Agents List and he is not being recommended by the Bureau for any positions in the future.

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# United States Senate

COMMITTEE ON BANKING AND CURRENCY

March 23, 1953

*[Handwritten signature and initials]*

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director  
 Federal Bureau of Investigation  
 Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Now that I have resigned from my position with the Small Defense Plants Administration, I want to give you my evaluation of a former employee of yours.

As Deputy Administrator of the Small Defense Plants Administration and later as Administrator, I had an opportunity to observe and evaluate the work of Robert A. Maheu, Compliance and Security Officer of that Agency.

As I have stated, he formerly worked with you. I am sure that it will please you to know that I considered him a most capable, loyal and efficient Government employee.

My purpose in making this comment about Mr. Maheu is that I remember that you recommended him to us. I thought that you would want to know that he is continuing to meet the high standards set by your organization.

Sincerely,

*[Handwritten signature: John Horne]*

John E. Horne, Administrative  
 Assistant to Senator Sparkman

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TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT

DATE: April 9, 1953

FROM : MR. L. L. LAUGHLIN

SUBJECT: FEDERAL SECURITY AGENCY

Mr. Jack Beardwood, Administrative Assistant to Mrs. Hobby, Administrator, FSA, called and asked if it would be possible to have name checks on Mr. William Alexander, who is now with the Security Office at the National Production Administration, and Mr. Robert Maheu, Compliance Office, Small Defense Plants, both of whom are former Bureau Agents.

ACTION:

In view of the former services of these men, it is recommended that this be referred to the Administrative Division for the preparation of appropriate information which can be made available to Mrs. Hobby through Mr. Beardwood.

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CC: Administrative Division

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TO: MR. TOLSON

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FROM: J. P. MOHR

SUBJECT: DANIEL L. O'CONNOR  
Former Special Agent

Mr. O'Connor while discussing other matters with me today said that he had an interview with Mr. Rufus Miles of the Federal Security Agency with respect to the security setup of that agency. Mr. O'Connor stated that the position they had in mind was one in Grade GS-15 paying 10,800 dollars per annum. Mr. O'Connor stated he told Mr. Miles he would not be interested in a position at that salary in the government on a permanent basis.

He said during the discussion with Mr. Miles it was developed that the Federal Security Agency was confused, did not seem to know exactly what their problem was and it was suggested that perhaps a survey was what they needed to find exactly what the situation was at FSA and what was required. Mr. O'Connor said during the discussion the question of the cost of such a survey was brought up and Mr. Miles at first suggested maybe \$30 a day. O'Connor pointed out his office expenses were \$35 a day and Miles then suggested maybe \$45 a day. This was to be for the purpose of conducting a survey and would last 60 or 90 days. O'Connor pointed out to Mr. Miles that obviously he could not find a competent firm or individual to undertake such a survey on such a temporary basis for less than \$100 a day. Mr O'Connor said frankly he did not see how he could undertake such a survey which would demand a great deal of time for a 60 to 90 day period of time for less than \$100 a day. He said in fact Mr. Miles agreed in order to get a competent man to make such a survey it would probably cost them that much and certainly would cost them more if they called in a research firm to do it on a contractual basis.

Mr. O'Connor advised me that during the interview with Miles, Miles asked O'Connor his opinion of four individuals who Miles indicated had been recommended to FSA by the Bureau. These individuals were William Howard Alexander, John Phillips and Robert A. Maher, former Special Agents and another individual whose phonetic name O'Connor understood to be Agre. O'Connor said as far as he knew this last individual was not a former Agent of the Bureau and was employed by the office of Price Stabilization.

It would appear that Miles in talking to O'Connor misled him into believing that the four names were submitted by the Bureau and I think this was a shoddy trick on the part of Miles.

The foregoing is submitted for your information.

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Mr. A. H. Belmont

April 13, 1953

Mr. L. L. Laughlin

WILLIAM ALEXANDER  
ROBERT MAHEU

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It will be recalled that Mr. Jack Beardwood, Administrative Assistant to Mrs. Oveta Culp Hobby, Administrator, FSA (now Department of Health, Education and Welfare) called on April 9, and asked for name checks on Alexander and Maheu, former Bureau employees.

Mr. Beardwood called this morning and stated that he had talked to Mr. Alexander and had arranged an appointment for him with Mrs. Hobby this afternoon. Beardwood asked whether the name check request could be handled before 3:30 P.M. I told Mr. Beardwood that this matter was being given attention and I would get in touch with him as soon as I had some information to report.

At 12:45 P.M. I called Mr. Beardwood and told him a matter had come up in connection with Alexander which the Bureau was going to have to check into, and just as soon as this question was resolved the Bureau would get in touch with him.

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At 1:40 P.M. Mr. Beardwood called back and asked if there were any developments. Beardwood stated that Mrs. Hobby was scheduled to appear tomorrow morning before the House Subcommittee on Appropriations and she wanted, if at all possible, to be in the position of saying, in case the question arose, that a Security Officer had been obtained, and he was to report for duty within the very near future. In this connection, Mr. Beardwood stated that during his interview with Alexander he determined that Alexander was ready to report promptly if given the assignment. Again I told Beardwood that the matter was receiving attention at the Bureau and just as soon as some information could be determined, I would be in touch with him.

At 4:25 P.M. Beardwood called and stated that Alexander had shown up for the appointment with Mrs. Hobby this afternoon but inasmuch as the results of the name check requested of the Bureau had not been received, he would suggest that Mrs. Hobby not see Alexander, that he, Beardwood, talk to Alexander alone and put him off until a later time.

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CC: Administrative Division

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Again Mr. Beardwood said he would appreciate receiving the results of the name check on Alexander as soon as possible. He was assured this information would be made available.

MR. TOLSON

April 13, 1953

J. P. MOHR

WILLIAM HOWARD ALEXANDER  
ROBERT AIME MAHEU  
FORMER SPECIAL AGENTS

In a memorandum dated April 9, 1953, Mr. Leo L. Laughlin stated that Mr. Jack Beardwood, Administrative Assistant to Mrs. Oveta Culp Hobby, Administrator, Federal Security Agency, now the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, called and asked if it would be possible to have name checks on Alexander, who is now with the Security Office at the National Production Administration, Commerce Department, and Mr. Robert Maheu, Compliance Office, Small Defense Plants. According to Mr. Laughlin, Alexander and Maheu were being considered for the position of Security Officer by Mrs. Hobby.

Mr. Laughlin advised around noon today that he had received a further call from Mr. Beardwood today and that Alexander had an appointment at 3:30 P.M. this afternoon and it appeared that Alexander was being favorably considered for the position of Security Officer. Mr. Beardwood asked if he could have an immediate reply to the name check request on Alexander. In accordance with instructions from you, Mr. Laughlin called Mr. Beardwood and told him that there had been some recent developments and that the name check request on Alexander would be furnished later and that any action to consider Alexander should be held in abeyance for the time being. Mr. Beardwood indicated he would wait until he heard from us before taking any action.

The following is a summary of the service records of the above-captioned former Special Agents.

WILLIAM HOWARD ALEXANDER

Mr. Alexander entered on duty as a Special Agent on February 10, 1941, with a Bachelor of Commercial Science Degree. He served as a Supervisor at the Seat of Government in the Security Division from January 8, 1942, to October 24, 1944, when he was transferred to the Dallas Division. He voluntarily submitted his resignation under date of January 3, 1946, requesting it be effective January 25, 1946. He gave as his reason for resigning, "Personal considerations." On January 7, 1946, SAC Wily, who was then in charge of the Dallas Division, advised Mr. Glavin that Alexander did not have his heart in his work and Mr. Wily wanted to know whether it would be satisfactory

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for the Bureau to accept his resignation at the close of business January 11, 1946, instead of January 25, 1946. Mr. Glavin advised Mr. Wyly that would be satisfactory.

SAC Wyly submitted a separation efficiency rating on Alexander in which he was rated Fair and stated that Alexander had a tendency to shirk his duties and misrepresent facts. On one occasion he advised Mr. Wyly that his wife was ill and it would be necessary for him to take annual leave whereas Alexander and his wife were seen on a downtown street in Dallas a few hours later. On the same afternoon Alexander and his wife proceeded to the Mexican border where Alexander went on a hunting trip for a few days. Mr. Wyly also pointed out that Alexander had been assigned to the Washington Field Office on a special assignment prior to Christmas, 1945, and he informed the SAC of the Washington Field Office on December 8, 1945, he had received word that his wife was critically ill and he requested permission from the Bureau to return to Dallas because his wife was to undergo an operation. Mr. Wyly said after Alexander submitted his resignation it was ascertained that Alexander's wife was not ill and that his purpose in securing a release from the special assignment was to be home during the Christmas holidays. Mr. Wyly said he questioned Alexander about the alleged illness of his wife and he said the Bureau had misinterpreted his request for release from the assignment for his wife was not ill but since some of the Agents were being released from the special he saw no reason why he should not be one of those released. SAC Wyly also stated that it was rumored that Alexander's wife had separated because of Alexander's affection for another woman, namely, a beauty parlor operator with a 10-year old child. Mr. Wyly concluded that he was not impressed with Alexander and felt he would become a personnel problem in the service had he not resigned. It should be noted that prior to Alexander's resignation, his efficiency reports indicated his record of service was above average.

An investigation of Alexander was requested by the Secretary of Commerce on February 3, 1953, and a summary was prepared dated March 25, 1953, and transmitted to the Secretary of Commerce. On page two of the summary, in commenting on Alexander's Bureau record, the following information was set forth: "His work record was generally satisfactory; however, at the time of his separation his services were rated fair, there being some indication that just prior thereto his attitude and work performance were not up to par. It is noted that he secured release from a special assignment in Washington, D. C., shortly before his resignation, on the basis that his wife was critically ill and he wanted to return home; it was later learned his wife was not ill and his reason for desiring release from the assignment was to be home during the Christmas holidays. He claimed that his

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request for release had been misinterpreted; however, even granting this, and the Bureau is not prepared to do so, the incident reflected upon his attitude."

During this same investigation for the Secretary of Commerce, Alexander's former wife advised that her husband met one Alma Formento in Abilene, Texas, early in 1945 at a party given by Captain William Laswell and that Alexander cohabited with Formento. Formento was to have a baby and allegedly she had an abortion on December 29, 1945. Laswell advised Alexander had told him that he had been intimate with Formento in Abilene, Texas, and that Formento claimed she was pregnant and that Alexander was the father. Mrs. Alexander stated that she did not believe this was true as Alexander had been advised by doctors that parenthood was impossible without medical treatment. Mrs. Robert Bosof, formerly Alma Formento, was interviewed and denied having cohabited with Alexander. It should be noted that a portion of Alexander's affair with Formento occurred while he was still an employee in the Bureau. Alexander's extramarital affair was included in the summary furnished to the Secretary of Commerce. It should be further noted that Alexander's wife, Susan I. Alexander, is presently a reader in the Identification Division.

#### ROBERT A. MAHEU

Mr. Maheu entered on duty as a Special Agent in the Bureau on December 9, 1940, and he voluntarily resigned by letter dated June 24, 1947, because of the ill health of his wife and his desire to establish a permanent residence in Waterville, Maine, which is the home of his wife's parents. It should be noted that he was Resident Agent at Bangor, Maine. He ceased active duty at the close of business July 24, 1947. Maheu had a very good record while an Agent in the Bureau and his services were entirely satisfactory. After resigning from the Bureau, Maheu maintained very cordial relationships with the Bureau and he was recommended for a number of positions by the Director. After leaving the Bureau, Maheu organized a corporation known as Dairy Dream Farms, Inc., and this venture was unsuccessful. Under date of January 19, 1953, Jerome G. Daviau, attorney, Waterville, Maine, wrote to the Director alleging that Maheu had acted dishonestly in connection with the business venture of Dairy Dream Farms, Inc., and that Maheu did not deserve the Director's personal recommendation, which he understood Maheu had received. Daviau also alleged that Maheu had traded on his status as a former Bureau Agent to borrow considerable sums of money to establish this corporation and he had failed to pay his creditors. We conducted an extensive inquiry into Maheu's activities in connection with Dairy Dream Farms, Inc., and it was learned

Maheu did owe substantial sums of money from this operation and it was also learned that in connection with a law suit against Maheu by Daviau in New York State, Maheu told the Judge during the hearing that he, Maheu, had been recommended for the position which he then held by the Director. A number of individuals who were interviewed were of the opinion that Maheu had not acted in good faith whereas there were others who said that he had acted in good faith and that Maheu would eventually repay his debts. As a result of the Bureau's inquiry in this matter, it was recommended that we not recommend Maheu for any position in the future, and the Director concurred.

#### RECOMMENDATION

1. I recommend, with respect to former Special Agent Alexander, that Mr. Laughlin furnish a copy of the summary of our investigation which was furnished to Secretary Weeks of the Commerce Department to the Administrative Assistant to Mrs. Hobby.

2. With respect to former Agent Maheu, it was felt that Mr. Laughlin should state that since Mr. Maheu's resignation from the Bureau we have learned that he engaged in an unsuccessful business venture with the result that he left many debts outstanding which have not been paid and that Mr. Maheu has many creditors who feel that he was unethical in his business dealings.



MR. A. H. BELMONT

April 14, 1953

MR. L. L. LAUGHLIN

WILLIAM HOWARD ALEXANDER  
ROBERT ALLE MAHEU  
FORMER SPECIAL AGENTS

Pursuant to the Director's instructions, which are noted on the memorandum from Mr. Mohr to Mr. Tolson dated April 13, 1953, I called Mr. Jack Beardwood, Administrative Assistant to Mrs. Oveta Culp Hobby, Secretary of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, at 12:20 P.M. today and told Mr. Beardwood, in response to his request for a name check on Alexander and Maheu, that upon checking our records we regret that we cannot recommend either of these men.

Mr. Beardwood stated that in view of this he was cancelling completely all further dealings with these men.

Beardwood stated that one other candidate who had been interviewed for the job of Security Officer is Mr. Mike Acre (ph), who, according to Beardwood, is or was connected with the Security Office of the Economic Stabilization Agency. Beardwood added, however, that since Acre has had no former Bureau experience he was not being given serious consideration.

Mr. Beardwood said that one of the candidates he had talked to who had turned down the job had mentioned the name of a man named Connors who is now connected with some Congressional Committee. Beardwood said that it is his recollection that Connors was described as a former Bureau Agent. He said that he would endeavor to develop additional information concerning Connors and then interview him to determine whether he would be interested. He said if Connors is interested, he would appreciate it if the Bureau could furnish him with a name check on Connors. I told Beardwood that we would appreciate receiving as much time as possible on these requests, that we are pleased to cooperate with Mrs. Hobby but, of course, a certain amount of time is necessary to handle these requests properly. Mr. Beardwood said he appreciated the Bureau's position fully. (It is noted that there is a Don Connors, a former Bureau Agent, who is now working for the Jenner Committee.)

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Mr. Beardwood stated that on behalf of Mrs. Hobby and himself he appreciated the Bureau's assistance in this matter.

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cc: Admin. Staffing Division

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March 26, 1953

Mr. John E. Horne  
Room 211  
Senate Office Building  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Horne:

I was very pleased to receive your letter of March 23, 1953, and I certainly do appreciate the thoughtfulness which prompted your writing me.

You are indeed kind to comment so favorably regarding Mr. Mahan, and I am most grateful to you for providing me with your observations.

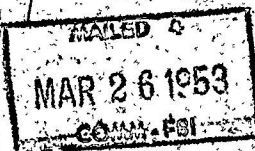
Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

NOTE: SA Robert A. Mahan EOD 12-9-40 and resigned 7-24-47 while in CAF 12 and assigned to Boston. Address of correspondent secured from phone call to Capitol.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. GLAVIN

DATE: October 29, 1953

FROM : H. L. EDWARDS *HL*

SUBJECT: ROBERT A. MAHEU  
 EOD 12-9-40  
 Resigned 7-24-47  
 Former Special Agent  
 TELEPHONIC SERVICE RECORD INQUIRY

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A request for the service record of former SA Robert A. Maheu was telephonically received October 28, 1953, from E. J. Stocking, Assistant Chief, Examining Division, U. S. Civil Service Commission, code 171, extension 5049. Mr. Stocking stated that the Commission is conducting an investigation of Maheu, who is presently employed as Compliance and Security Officer, Small Defense Plants Administration, in that Maheu is being considered by the latter agency for the Administrative Officer's position in Grade GS-17, which necessitates a clearance by the Civil Service Commission from the loyalty, character and general reputation standpoint.

Maheu entered on duty in the Bureau December 9, 1940, as a Special Agent. He served in the Phoenix, Seattle, New York and Boston Offices until submitting his voluntary resignation which became effective at the close of business July 24, 1947, when he was in Grade GS-12 earning \$6623.40 per annum. All of his performance ratings were satisfactory.

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Maheu submitted his resignation by letter dated June 24, 1947, pointing out that his decision in this regard was predicated on his wife's physician's recommendation he settle in one locality and plan on a little travel. He indicated his plans to live in Waterville, Maine, where his wife's parents resided. He had been a Resident Agent at Bangor, Maine. He had a very good record while he was an Agent. After resigning from the Bureau Maheu maintained very cordial relations with the Bureau and was recommended for a number of positions by the Director. After leaving the Bureau Maheu organized a corporation known as Dairy Dream Farms, Inc. This venture was unsuccessful and on January 19, 1953, Jerome G. Daviau, Attorney, Waterville, Maine, wrote to the Director alleging that Maheu acted dishonestly in connection with the afore-mentioned business venture, that Maheu did not deserve the Director's personal recommendation which he understood Maheu had received. Daviau also alleged that Maheu traded on his former Agent's status to borrow considerable sums of money to establish the corporation and had failed to pay his creditors. You will recall that we conducted an extensive inquiry into Maheu's activities in respect to Dairy Dream Farms, Inc. Our inquiry developed that Maheu did owe substantial sums of money from this operation, that in connection with a

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lawsuit against Maheu by Daviau in New York State Maheu informed the judge during the hearing that he had been recommended by the Director for the position which he then held. The inquiry reflected that a number of persons who were interviewed were of the opinion that Maheu had not acted in good faith whereas there were others who said he had acted in good faith and would eventually repay said debts. It was recommended and approved by the Director that in future inquiries concerning Maheu that he not be recommended.

A request for his service record was received July 13, 1949, from the president of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad. Maheu advised the Bureau January 15, 1952, that because of the Director's recommendation at that time he was offered and accepted the position of Director of Compliance, Small Defense Plants Administration, at \$10,800 per annum in GS-15. His service record was furnished to U. S. Civil Service Commission, February 26, 1952. His service record was furnished to Senator Wiley April, 1952. An official of the Small Defense Plants Administration and an examining auditor of the Civil Service Commission contacted Mr. Glavin August 14, 1952, for information as to whether Maheu held any administrative responsibilities while in the Bureau since Maheu was then in Grade 15 and the Commission was questioning this grade since Maheu had held only a CAF-12 at the time he left the Bureau. Mr. Telford Taylor, Administrator, Small Defense Plants Administration, advised September 15, 1952, that he was grateful to the Director for having recommended Maheu to his Bureau and could not commend Maheu highly enough. Taylor at that time was the subject of a loyalty inquiry in regard to alleged pro-Communist sympathies. The Director saw Maheu October 16, 1952, and Maheu expressed appreciation for being recommended for the Small Defense Plants Administration and acknowledged the interview by letter of October 21, 1952. Maheu's name was recommended by the Director to Senator Joseph R. McCarthy December 2, 1952. However, on January 26, 1953, the afore-mentioned derogatory information concerning Maheu was furnished to the Bureau by the SAC at Boston. Memo dated January 29, 1953, summarized the afore-mentioned situation, recommended that no further inquiry be made in the matter concerning Dairy Dream Farms, Inc., that Maheu not be recommended by the Bureau for future positions, which recommendations the Director approved.

John E. Horne, Administrative Assistant to Senator Sparkman, Committee on Banking and Currency, U. S. Senate, on March 23, 1953, pointed out to the Director he had resigned from his position with the Small Defense Plants Administration and wanted the Director to know that he (Maheu) was continuing to meet high standards set by the Bureau. An inquiry was received for his service record from the Department of Health, Education and Welfare April 9, 1953, and it was recommended and approved in a memorandum of

April 13, 1953, that the inquirer be told that since Maheu's resignation the Bureau learned he engaged in an unsuccessful business venture, left many outstanding debts and that many creditors felt he had been unethical with his business dealings. No subsequent inquiries have been received concerning Maheu until the present one.

Maheu resigned from the Bureau at a time when his services could not be construed as critically needed. His file contains only favorable comments made by him concerning the Bureau. His work record was satisfactory while he was with the Bureau. However, derogatory information reflecting upon his character was received subsequent to his resignation.

### CONCLUSIONS

In view of the above facts it is believed that Mr. E. J. Stocking should be telephonically advised that Maheu's work record was satisfactory while he was with the Bureau, that during the time he was with us nothing derogatory was known concerning his character or integrity but the Bureau received information subsequent to his resignation indicating that he engaged in an unsuccessful business venture, left many debts outstanding and that <sup>SOME</sup> creditors felt he was unethical in his business dealings.

RECOMMENDATION <sup>Disagree</sup> But Stocking should be advised that we have not conducted any investigation of his business failure

That Mr. E. J. Stocking be telephonically advised the facts contained in the preceding paragraph.

Done 10/30/53.  
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Done  
10/29.

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6/10/29



## OFFICE MEMORANDUM, UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : THE DIRECTOR

DATE:

November 3, 1953

FROM : D. M. LADD

SUBJECT: SOCIETY OF FORMER SPECIAL AGENTS,  
Washington, Chapter

Harry Coonin advised me that the following officers of the Washington Chapter of the above organization were elected at a meeting last night, 11/2:

Chairman - Al Muzzey  
Vice-Chairman - Bill Leece  
Secretary - John Ruane  
Treasurer - Bob Maheu

Mr. Coonin thought you might be interested in the results of this election.

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TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT

DATE: April 15, 1953

FROM : MR. L. L. LAUGHLIN

SUBJECT: DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION AND WELFARE

67-037-50  
The memorandum from Mr. Mohr to Mr. Tolson dated April 14, 1953, reflects that former Special Agent Daniel L. O'Connor, while talking with Mr. Mohr on April 14, stated that during an interview with Mr. Rufus Miles of the Federal Security Agency (now the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare), Miles asked O'Connor's opinion regarding William Howard Alexander, John Phillips, Robert A. Maheu, former Special Agents, and another individual whose phonetic name O'Connor understood to be Acre. According to Mr. O'Connor, Miles indicated these four men had been recommended to him by the Bureau. The Director approved the suggestion that Mr. Jack Beardwood, Administrative Assistant to Secretary Hobby, be contacted regarding this misrepresentation on the part of Miles.

I called Mr. Beardwood concerning this matter today. I told him the Bureau had received information that Mr. Miles had stated the Bureau had recommended Alexander, Phillips, Maheu, and Acre to FSA. I pointed out that as he well knew this, of course, was definitely not true. Mr. Beardwood said that frankly he was unable to say whether Miles did make such a statement because, while he and Miles interviewed all of the candidates thus far, he was called away from two or three interviews and, therefore, it is entirely possible that Miles could have made such a remark. In any event Beardwood admitted that such a statement was absolutely an untruth and that he would set Miles straight.

I pointed out to Beardwood that we didn't appreciate this sort of thing, that the Bureau had gone out of its way to be of assistance to Mrs. Hobby and him, and that we didn't want any representative of his Department making untrue remarks concerning the Bureau. Mr. Beardwood said he certainly understood the Bureau's viewpoint and would see that Miles refrained from making any such remarks in the future.

While talking with Beardwood, he stated that a new General Counsel, whom he did not name, had been appointed in his Department. He said this man is from Missouri and mentioned that he knew former SAC M. E. Rhodes very well. Beardwood advised that according to the

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new General Counsel, Rhodes is now associated with the Crime Commission in Kansas City, Missouri. Beardwood stated he may contact Rhodes later to see if he is interested in the job as Security Officer. He said if Rhodes is interested he, Beardwood, will ask the Bureau for a name check before making any definite commitment.

Mr. Beardwood also volunteered that the name of Donald Frederick O'Donnell had been recommended to him for this position. He said that O'Donnell reportedly is a former Bureau Agent and is now connected with a Senate Investigating Committee. Beardwood did not say who recommended O'Donnell.

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Mr. Beardwood called me at 4:25 P.M. and asked for a name check on Francis Xavier Plant. Beardwood stated that he had talked to Plant today and determined that he had been with the Bureau since 1935, entering on duty as an Agent on January 7, 1942, and resigning in June, 1952. At the present time, Beardwood stated, Plant is Assistant Counsel of the Tobey Committee. He is, however, readily available and can report for duty at once. Mr. Beardwood stated that if the result of the name check on Plant at the Bureau is satisfactory, he will arrange an interview for Plant with Mrs. Hobby looking towards his appointment as Security Officer.

ACTION:

A copy of this memorandum has been sent to the Administrative Division for an appropriate memorandum on Plant.

*M. J. [Signature]*  
MS March 1, 1954  
*M. J. [Signature]*

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

On February 26, 1954, I saw former Special Agent Robert A. Maheu. Mr. Maheu called to pay his respects and to state that he had resigned from the Small Business Administration and was opening a private investigative agency. He stated he wanted me to know that if at any time he could be of any service to the Bureau he was always available.

He expressed himself quite strongly as to how he thought ex-Agents should act and should try to live up to the high ideals of the Bureau. I told him I shared this same view but this was one of the reasons that I had been concerned about the Society of Former Special Agents in that they accepted for membership therein individuals who did not always have a satisfactory record when in the FBI. I stated that the sole criterion seemed to be that as long as a man was not dismissed with prejudice he was eligible for acceptance in the Former Agents Association, whereas he, Mr. Maheu, knew many times Agents were requested to resign because of unsatisfactory work or conduct.

Very truly yours,

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John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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March 11, 1954  
410 E. Rosemary Lane  
Falls Church, Virginia

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL (U)

Honorable J. Edgar Hoover  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

It was very kind of you to allow me so much time from your busy schedule during my recent visit with you.

I sincerely feel that, before embarking on a new career, the privilege of a personal interview with you will serve as the stimulus for my bearing foremost in mind the high ideals upon which you have always patterned your own life.

You will be happy to know that last week Mrs. Maheu and I were in New York for her annual examination and she was found to be in excellent condition.

Starting April 1, 1954 I shall be located at 917 15th Street, N. W., and I would very much appreciate an autographed photograph of you for my new office.

Respectfully yours,

Robert A. Maheu

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Robert Mahan

Washington 25, D. C.  
March 29, 1954

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Former Special Agent Ray Taggart, who is now with the Small Business Administration, dropped by to see me this afternoon with reference to our previous conversation concerning the allegations that had been made against the Bureau by Wendell B. Barnes, Administrator of the Small Business Administration. Taggart handed to me the Attached copy of a memorandum dictated by Barnes as a result of Barnes' conversation with Taggart concerning the Bureau. Taggart made a copy of this memorandum from a rough draft of the memorandum which Barnes' secretary had in her possession.

Taggart stated that he assumed that the Bureau would want to ultimately take some positive action in connection with this matter and that he, Taggart, would not crawlfish on the matter but would appreciate being advised prior to any contact made with Barnes in connection with this matter in case we plan to contact Barnes concerning his allegations. He asked that this be done as he would like to get his positions straight with the Small Business Administration before we contacted Barnes direct. I told Taggart that we would contact him in the event we saw fit to contact Barnes concerning this matter.

Taggart also stated that, as a matter of information, he understands that Barnes was named General Counsel of the Small Business Administration by former Administrator Mitchell and when Mitchell left, Barnes was made Acting Administrator apparently on the recommendation of Stanley Pratt, who was formerly an assistant to Leonard Hall of the Republican National Committee. Mrs. Stanley Pratt and Mrs. Barnes have been close friends.

I expressed to Taggart our appreciation for his taking the action of informing us concerning this matter.

Respectfully,

F. C. Holloman

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MEMO OF CONVERSATION BETWEEN RAY TAGGART & WENDELL BARNES

On March 18, 1954, Mr. Ray Taggart, acting Director of office of Compliance and Security discussed with me his situation with the Small Business Administration. The conversation was continued on March 20th. Mr. Taggart asked if his work was satisfactory and if I had confidence in his work and planned to make his position permanent. I replied that I was satisfied with his work on routine matters but was not satisfied with the general situation. I stated that my past experience with officials of the FBI had not been such as to give me confidence with officials of ~~NAUKE~~ nature being performed in the Compliance and Security Department. I gave as instances the fact that in 1937 as Counsel for the State of Okla., I called upon the FBI in Oklahoma City to assist me in an investigation, at the direction of the Governor, on the activities of one Orbin Patterson who was in my opinion guilty of a conspiracy to violate the Dyer Act. At the time I felt my own security was in danger since this particular ring had killed or mutilated any officer who attempted to uncover their activities and Patterson had himself shot three men on the streets of Oklahoma City without punitive action being taken by local or federal officers. The assistance requested from the FBI was refused. I later called upon and received assistance from the Special Agents of the Treasury Department on the basis of information which I myself had collected, the ring was convicted and sentenced to the penitentiary at Leavenworth and the activities of the organization broken up.

I further cited the fact that my brother at the request of Army G-2 in the Division to which he was assigned operated for more than five years as an undercover agent and disclosed the identity and activities of more than a 100 members of the Communist Party. This was done in the period 1942 to 1946. Copies of his weekly reports were made available to the FBI under his code name. In 1950 the FBI Agent stationed at Ponca City, Oklahoma, identified by brother as a member of the Communist Party to a politician serving as Chief of Police. Thus from this indiscretion a situation developed which could not be remedied without the breaking of secrecy which had been imposed upon my brother by G-2. This was accomplished only under great difficulty by having former Army Officers come to the scene and identify the hazardous and very competent activities that my brother had engaged in. This situation was brought to the attention of one D.A. "Jelly" Bryce, Director of the FBI at Oklahoma City who refused to assist to clarify the situation and in fact washed his hands of the matter. D. A. Bryce is presently the Director in Oklahoma City and as far as I know the incompetent Agent who participated in this action is still on the rolls of the FBI. D.A. Bryce is known to me as a former police officer in Oklahoma who in my opinion ruthlessly and without provocation on numerous occasions shot at alleged criminals and obtained a reputation as a fearless killer. I cannot repose confidence in an individual or organization composed of individuals with backgrounds of D.A. Bryce.

For the purpose of this record it should be noted that full information on the Communists involved was to my certain knowledge delivered to the Senate Committee on Un-American Activities and each Communist involved was positively identified by my brother. I had no personal knowledge of his activities as an Undercover Agent or his involvement in any of this

matter until the month of February, 1954.

I further cited the activities here in this Agency of Robert Maheu, formerly had of the office of Compliance and Security and who was promoted prior to my appointment as Acting Administrator as Special Assistant to the Administrator. I will not go into the matters disclosed to me about Maheu by personnel at the White House and the Department of Commerce. My own observations led to me to the conclusion that Maheu was and is incompetent in security matters due to the fact that in the case of one Malin who was involved in a security report and before Malin had been separated from the payroll of SBA Maheu was indiscreet in revealing to persons in the Agency the nature of the security matter in which Malin was involved. This matter was disclosed personally to me by Malin at the time I was General Counsel and I know of other persons in the Agency with whom the matter was disclosed. Although Malin was RIF'd and told to leave the Agency December 1st, it was inadvertently disclosed to Malin by my predecessor Mitchell and this led to an unpleasant situation in the separation of Malin. The separation was accomplished in a way that I would have preferred that it not be accomplished but I must state in my opinion the security information collected was not of sufficient evidentiary value to be convincing that the man was more than a psychopath. I am convinced he was psychopathic and believed the other evidence was for the most part nonsense.

I further stated that my position was based on the fact that an individual James Tierney was at the time I was a pointed Administrator working with a group who was formulating confidential plans and programs for the future activities of this Agency and that when interviewed by me in connection with a position it was my conclusion that he was not qualified for employment and was to my surprise not on the payroll and had not been cleared. I later learned that he was introduced to the Agency by Mr. Taggart. I do not ever emphasize the importance of this since I do not feel that any material harm was done although in fact SBA is an Agency designated by the President as a Defense Agency and contracts and other information are dealt with in other departments which unquestionably would be of interest to foreign agents. Mr. Taggart has explained this matter to my satisfaction. I merely cite it for the records as an incident which has caused me to have reservations.

I further cite my lack of confidence at the time my name was under consideration for appointment as permanent Administrator it was brought to my attention that Robert Maheu who was actually working for the appointment of another person, in spite of the fact, that I had made a sincere effort to place him in this agency or a job elsewhere in Government, that he thought he would be successful since he thought he could build a security case on me. This did not cause me alarm since my past actions are open to any agency and particularly my loyalty, integrity and my consistent opposition to any activity that would be inimical to the welfare of this country. I do not believe that the functions of Compliance and Security personnel to attempt to control appointments or do more than the job classification under which they serve call for. I further cite the action of Maheu in influencing one Scott McLeod who is unknown to me personally, to lobby against my interest. I further cite the actions of Maheu in the employment of one



Roger Perkins who was also from his home state of Maine and who was employed as an attorney by Mr. Mitchell and assigned to the General Counsel's office while I was serving as General Counsel. Mr. Perkins was employed before he was interviewed by me and was placed on the payrolls at a grade at least two whole grades higher than he was entitled by his past experience and ability. I further had the feeling from discussing the matter with him personally that at the time he learned of his classification that he would have been willing to have accepted the lesser grade. I have made it a point to verify it with Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Hipkins and they did not authorize the overpayment of this individual but on the otherhand it was action taken by Maheu. I further state that it is my intention that any influence Maheu exercised in the past with this Agency will be discontinued while I am serving as Administrator.

The fact that Mr. Taggart and other with the Compliance and Security department were employed and served under Mr. Maheu, some for two years or more, gives me cause to believe that they may not share my views concerning Maheu and hence it has not been my practice or do I intend to trust to anyone of his association any matters of a confidential nature affecting the security of this Agency that I would not want him to have knowledge of. Further more since I have had reason to be extremely well satisfied with my former connections and activities with the Special Agents of the Treasury Department, it is my intention, if possible, to obtain their assistance on matters which I feel to be of great consequence and where I intend to deal objectively on matters involving the FBI, I intend that this collaboration in the future be from me as head of the Agency to the head of the FBI without undercurrents and cross checking between security men who are former FBI as has been the practice in the past.

I asked Mr. Taggart if I have fairly and fully stated in general terms our previous conversation on this matter and give you the opportunity to make such additions to this memo as you may desire. May I say in all fairness to Mr. Taggart that I respect his frankness and straightforward approach in discussing this matter with me and other than the matters mentioned herein I have no reason to believe his anything but honorable, loyal and conscientious employee.

REPLY FROM TAGGART

I would like to say in reply that I was shocked at your charges against the FBI and I find it impossible to believe that any FBI Agent or Office would refuse to investigate any violation of Federal statutes over which the FBI has jurisdiction, in this instance, the Dyer Act. As I told you on March 18th, I served with the FBI for approximately 10 years, that I am proud of that service, proud of the people I was associated with in the FBI and proud of my association with Mr. Hoover, and that I would always feel that way.

As you will recall, you appointed me Acting Director a few days after you were made Acting Administrator which was November 2nd and I have served in this capacity since that time. I assumed that since I was serving in such a capacity, which I consider one of the most responsible in the Agency, that I had a much greater degree of your confidence than is indicated in our memo. I am aware of the differences between you and Mr. Mahan and as I think I told you in the very beginning Bob Mahan was a friend of mine and still is. I have felt that I could be loyal to you and friendly to Bob without conflict.

As I told you on March 18th, I came into SDPA about two years ago as Grade 13. I am still in that grade. I have handled the responsibilities of a Grade 15 job for about six months and I honestly feel that I have suffered some injustice under the former Administrator as well as the present one. That is one of the reasons that I asked to see you on March 18 to respectfully request your decision on this matter. I should mention that after you appointed me Acting Director I felt no injustice in the fact that I am served in that capacity until you have an opportunity to observe my ability, character, and loyalty.

As I told you on March 18, in view of your statements and attitude toward the FBI I am no longer interested in advancement in SEA and will as soon as I am able to leave this agency for work elsewhere.



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March 16, 1954

Mr. Robert A. Maheu  
410 East Rosemary Lane  
Falls Church, Virginia

Dear Mr. Maheu:

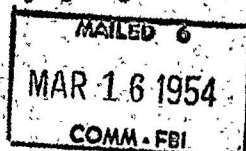
Thank you for your letter of March 11, 1954. You may be sure that it was a pleasure to see you when you stopped at my office on February 26, 1954.

In accordance with your request, I am happy to send under separate cover a photograph which I have autographed to you.

I am glad to know that Mrs. Maheu is enjoying the best of health.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover



NOTE: Former Special Agent Robert A. Maheu EOD 12-9-40; resigned 7-24-47; last assigned to the Boston Office; GS-12. Service satisfactory. By memorandum dated 1-29-53 it was recommended and approved that he not be recommended by the Bureau for any position in the future, since he had engaged in an unsuccessful business venture, left outstanding debts, and many creditors feel he had been unethical in his business dealings. It was learned on 11-3-53 that he had been elected Treasurer of the Washington Chapter of the Society of Former Special Agents. The Director saw him when he called to pay his respects on 2-26-54. He advised that he was opening a private investigative agency and he stated he was always available if he could be of any service to the Bureau. An autographed photograph was sent to Maheu and his wife for their home on 9-25-41.

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The Director

L. V. Boardman

April 1, 1954

WENDELL BURTON BARNES  
SPECIAL INQUIRY

SYNOPSIS:

Barnes interviewed 3-31-54 by me and SA James R. Malley concerning allegations of a critical nature concerning FBI attributed to Barnes by former SA Raymond Taggart. Barnes furnished detailed information relative to situation existing at Small Business Administration involving former SA Robert Maheu as Director of Compliance and Security and close relationship of Maheu with Taggart. Cited information made known to him concerning indiscretions of previous Administrator of Small Business Administration (SBA) William Mitchell and fact Maheu with Mitchell when some indiscretions occurred. Barnes also cited attempts by Maheu to block his confirmation by having Scott McLeod of State Department contact individual Senators. Barnes related incident where Taggart responsible for having individual working on future plans of SBA activities prior to receiving position or security clearance. Specific allegations discussed in detail with Barnes. Barnes appreciated receiving correct information concerning matters he had discussed with Taggart. He stated his information was not complete and as result of conference he fully understood the Bureau's position concerning these matters. Barnes cited instances of remarks being misquoted by Taggart and not furnished in context with other information, resulting in false impression. Barnes apologized if remarks made by him concerning SAC Bryce were in any way critical as he considers Bryce a fine law enforcement officer who has met the "test" many times. Barnes stated remarks concerning competency of Bureau agents misinterpreted and remark was that Treasury agents have background and training more suitable to the needs of SBA official work. Barnes was not critical of special inquiry investigation concerning him and stated he was much too busy to handle liaison matters with the Bureau and hoped to locate a man for position of Compliance and Security Director that would have the respect of all Government agencies and be able to effectively handle liaison. (Barnes

cc: Mr. Belmont  
Mr. Glavin

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completely unsatisfied with loyalty to him of Maheu and Taggart and advised that he had no place in his organization for an individual who would go to his previous employer with information furnished to him in connection with official remarks. Barnes stated he had no complaints against FBI personnel. His complaints were against Ex-FBI personnel in his organization. He stated if the occasion ever arose when he did have complaints to make, he would make furnishes them in writing to the Director where he was sure they would receive proper attention.)

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. It is recommended that the attached letter be sent to the Attorney General and Deputy Attorney General Rogers inasmuch as the allegations against Barnes made by Taggart were furnished in a letter dated March 30, 1954. This letter sets forth the results of the interview with Barnes.

2. Inasmuch as Barnes apologized or gave explanations for remarks made by him, there appears to be no reason to discuss these allegations with Secretary of Commerce Weeks.

3. In view of the comments made by Mr. Barnes relative to his desire to cooperate with the Bureau and his statement that he had absolutely no complaint to make concerning Bureau personnel it is recommended that the restriction of not having any contact with SCA until this matter is settled be removed at this time.

4. If recommendation #3 is approved, the file will be advised that any future contacts with Wendell Barnes or employees of his agency should be handled in a very circumspect manner. SAC Letter attached.

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DETAILS:

Wendell Burton Barnes, Administrator, Small Business Administration, 811 Vermont Avenue, N.W., was interviewed on March 31, 1954, by me and SA James R. Malley. Barnes was advised briefly the reason for the interview, at which time, he stated that if he was being placed in a position of having to account for his activities, he thought it would be well to have his legal counsel and a reporter present. I advised Mr. Barnes this was a matter for him to decide, that if did not appear necessary for these precautions inasmuch as information had come to the Bureau's attention which we desired to discuss with him so that he could either verify the truthfulness to the statements made regarding the Bureau or to make any explanations that he might desire to make concerning the statements attributed to him.

Barnes' Introductory Remarks

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Barnes then stated that he desired to relate his experience upon coming into his present position as Administrator of the Small Business Administration (SBA). He advised he had heard stories concerning former SA Robert A. Maheu and that he had been told by friends in the White House of certain indiscretions on the part of the former Administrator William Mitchell, and that he was also told former SA Maheu had accompanied Mitchell on a number of trips when these indiscretions occurred. He stated that he was also aware of the fact that Maheu had told at least six employees of the SBA of the information developed by the FBI in a security investigation on Max Malin, a former employee of SBA. Barnes stated he was very irritated with Maheu as Compliance and Security Director because of the fact he was passing out information of security nature to employees of SBA who had no reason to be advised of the information developed in the Bureau's investigation. Barnes states as legal counsel he had to make the decision and was handling the matter as a reduction in force rather than as a security risk. Further details concerning the Max Malin matter will be set forth later.

Barnes related an incident concerning former SA Raymond Taggart wherein Taggart asked Barnes to interview one John Tierney (set forth in memorandum furnished by Taggart as James Tierney) regarding a position in SBA. Barnes stated he considered the man "O.K." on a personal basis but nothing outstanding that would contribute in any way to operations of SBA, and during the



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interview learned Tierney was working on future plans of SBA. Barnes stated this was hard for him to believe, SBA being a sensitive business organization and knowing that Tierney was not on the payroll, he immediately inquired as to who brought in Tierney where he would have an opportunity to engage in future planning of SBA's activities. He learned that Taggart was responsible for this and stated that it did not seem possible to him that the acting Compliance and Security Director could be using so little judgment as to permit an individual not on the payroll and not having a security clearance of any kind to have access to confidential data.

He also advised he gave Taggart specific instructions when he was named acting Compliance and Security Director that he was not to follow the policies of former SA Maheu who had previously held this position, that he was to give him no information, and that he would have to keep his personal relations with Maheu separated from business relations. He advised that it had come to his knowledge on a number of occasions that Maheu was seen going through papers on Taggart's desk when Taggart was absent from his room. Barnes states that Maheu since his separation from SBA has been seen hanging around Taggart's office, which is completely contrary to Barnes' instructions.

He also stated that he had learned Maheu had gone to Scott McLeod, Administration, Bureau of Inspection, Security, and Consular Affairs, Department of State, concerning Barnes and McLeod, according to information received by Barnes, attempted to block Barnes' confirmation in the Senate. He stated that on one occasion while Maheu was still working at SBA he sent Maheu to Capitol Hill to obtain certain commitments from a Congressman relative to a field representative of SBA that was badly in debt and that he came back with a very indefinite answer which was completely unsatisfactory to Barnes.

Taggart's Request of Barnes as to Whether He Would Be Named Permanent Director of Compliance and Security, SBA

Barnes stated Taggart came to him and asked whether he would be named permanent Director of Compliance and Security. Barnes told Taggart that his feeling toward former Agents was not too good. He stated specifically to Taggart that he felt the training received by Treasury personnel relating to financial



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matters and financial problems would be of more use to SBA than would ex-Bureau personnel with their type of training. Barnes states he made this statement only in terms of expressing what he considered to be best for the personnel needs of SBA due to the type of problems that come up in their everyday affairs.

Barnes advised that Taggart questioned him at that time concerning his preference for ex-Treasury employees over FBI Agents and that he then stated, having in mind the information set forth concerning his experiences with ex-Bureau personnel, a number of incidents concerning his dealings with Bureau personnel. He stated that he was mad at the time and made his remarks on the basis of an official of one agency talking to another employee in the same agency and not for publication purposes.

Discussion Re Allegations Attributed to Barnes

There are set forth hereinafter the specific allegations attributed to Barnes by former SA Taggart and comments of Mr. Barnes concerning each.

1. Barnes alleged Bureau refused assistance to him in 1937 in investigation of Urban Patterson, whom he described as car thief and murderer.

Barnes stated he went to the Oklahoma City Office and furnished in detail results of investigation made by him as confidential secretary to the Governor of Oklahoma concerning Urban Patterson. He stated he was convinced Patterson had violated the Dyer Act (Interstate Transportation of Stolen Motor Vehicle) and that he thought he could obtain Bureau assistance. He advised the information he offered was accepted by the Oklahoma City Office and he was told they were unable to be of assistance to him. He indicated there was a complete lack of enthusiasm concerning the information made available. At this point it was pointed out to Barnes that based on the information made available by him in 1937 one Seth Stone, a member of the Patterson gang, serving time in the U. S. Penitentiary at Leavenworth for an ITSMV violation was interviewed by Bureau Agents and that Stone did not furnish any information which indicated a Federal violation within the Bureau's jurisdiction.

Barnes was also told that the material made available on Urban Patterson was thoroughly reviewed by the Oklahoma City Office, was sent to Bureau headquarters in Washington where it was also

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reviewed, and that your personally had requested that every effort be made to take action against Patterson if the Bureau had any jurisdiction. Barnes was told that despite the effort made by the Bureau to find a matter within the Bureau's jurisdiction, we were unable to do so and, therefore, did not enter this investigation.

Barnes immediately stated this was certainly news to him, that he could only say he was sorry that he had referred to this investigation but that he did feel very put out in 1937 as he had been personally threatened and threats had been made concerning his family as a result of the investigation he made concerning Patterson. Barnes said he certainly appreciated receiving the true information relative to the Bureau's efforts in the Patterson case although he did not know up until this time of the desires of the Bureau to cooperate.

2. Barnes alleged Resident Agent, Ponca City, Oklahoma, spread false rumors through the Chief of Police re subversive activities of brother Donald.

Barnes states the information concerning his brother Donald participating in Communist activities for the Army first came to his attention in February, 1954, and that he was definitely upset to learn of such information after he had been placed in a high position for the present administration. He advised his brother Donald related the entire story concerning his participation for the Army in Communist activities and advised he had traced the story of his participation to former Chief of Police McFadden, Ponca City, Oklahoma. Barnes stated he could not furnish any sources, but his brother Donald said he understood Chief McFadden received the information that Donald had engaged in subversive activities from the FBI Resident Agent.

Barnes was told the Resident Agent at Ponca City, Oklahoma, SA Glen H. Erwin, had emphatically denied spreading rumors regarding Donald Barnes being a subversive and that Chief of Police D.F.B. Harsh, Ponca City since 1947, and former Chief Joseph McFadden have advised Erwin did not spread these rumors. He was also told that both of these individuals stated they had heard of rumor and attributed it to mudslinging in political campaign of Wendell Barnes, Tulsa, Oklahoma, 1950. Barnes stated this was a little hard to accept inasmuch as it was a primary



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campaign and was not bitter. He stated that in view of the fact the Resident Agent denied spreading this rumor and the present Chief and former Chief of Police verified the Resident Agent's statement, he considered it "water over the dam" not worthy of further exploration and a matter he would like to drop.

I told Barnes the allegation concerning Special Agent Erwin was serious insofar as this Bureau was concerned and that we would like to have further facts concerning the basis of the statement made against SA Erwin now or at any later time he was able to furnish additional information. Barnes stated again that he felt the matter was not worthy of further inquiry but if he learned of any additional information he would make it known to the Bureau.

3. Barnes alleged to have stated the SAC, Oklahoma City, refused to assist brother Donald Barnes in clearing his name of subversive activities.

Barnes advised this statement related to the matter set forth in No. 2 above, that he had been informed the SAC at Oklahoma City had refused to assist his brother Donald Barnes when contacted by Donald for the purpose of obtaining a letter from the FBI showing that his participation in Communist activities was for the Department of the Army.

It was pointed out to Barnes that his brother Donald had contacted the Resident Agent at Ponca City, Oklahoma, and had requested a letter to clear his name from involvement in subversive activities. The Resident Agent refused. He was also advised Donald Barnes subsequently talked to the SAC at Oklahoma City who likewise refused his request and referred him to G-2 of the Army. He was advised that subsequently a Major Brasfield of G-2 requested the Oklahoma City FBI office to furnish such a letter and that his request was refused on the basis that G-2 had been responsible for the activity and not the FBI and, therefore, it was their responsibility to handle the matter.

Barnes inquired whether the Bureau would have written a letter clearing Donald Barnes had the Bureau known Donald was engaged in subversive activities on behalf of the Army and reporting such activities to the Army. He was advised such activity was being performed for the Army and the Bureau most certainly would not have written such a letter, that this was

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strictly an Army matter. Barnes stated that he was glad to have the true picture concerning this matter and could certainly understand the Bureau's position concerning their refusal to handle a matter which was not of their concern but rightfully was a problem of the Army.

4. Barnes alleged to have attacked character of SAC Bryce.

Barnes stated he made a comment concerning SAC Bryce while discussing his brother Donald's situation regarding the subversive activities with the Army and that he meant no personal derogatory comments concerning SAC Bryce but was merely commenting on the background of SAC Bryce when considering Bryce's refusal to give the letter clarifying Donald's subversive activities. He stated he did not mean to attack the integrity or the devotion to duty of SAC Bryce and that he at this time wished to apologize to SAC Bryce if any remarks made by him could be interpreted as derogatory. He stated that he was fully aware that SAC Bryce was a fine law enforcement officer who had met the "test" many times and that he certainly had no criticism or comments regarding Bryce in discharging his official duties. Barnes further commented that he had as an official in the State of Oklahoma learned of many gun battles engaged in by Oklahoma police officers and had heard stories concerning Bryce as a police officer and that apparently in discussing this matter with Taggart had let his descriptive adjectives run away with him.

5. Barnes allegedly commented loyalty information developed by Bureau in Max Malin investigation was nonsense.

Barnes stated the information set forth in the Bureau reports concerning Malin fully convinced him (Barnes) that Malin was a psychopath, that in discussing this case with former SA Taggart he made the statement that one witness had stated that because Malin favored civil rights, he was in sympathy with Communism. He advised he considered this thinking nonsense on the part of the witness. He stated the exact quotations from the Bureau report were not recalled by him, but it was ~~something~~ something similar to that as related.

Barnes stated he felt the Bureau's investigation on Max Malin developed all the information there was to obtain and that it proved that Malin was a psychopath and one who should not receive a security clearance. He further stated he had no complaint of any kind concerning the Bureau's investigation of



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this case but did extremely resent Maheu's spreading rumors around SBA as to what had been developed in the investigation when he, Barnes, intended to handle the dismissal by reduction in force rather than going through the difficulties of dealing with an attorney who was fully informed of all of his rights and would have caused considerable difficulty at a hearing concerning his security status.

6. Barnes allegedly commented FBI Agents are incompetent.

Barnes states his comments concerning incompetency of Bureau personnel related to the fact that he considered Treasury dealing with the problems involved in handling SBA business. He stated he meant no derogatory remarks concerning Bureau personnel. He also advised that at the time he made this statement he commented to former SA Taggart that he was pleased and proud of an investigation made by former SA Arthur D. Horner (resigned June, 1948), presently employed by SBA. Barnes said that on this same occasion he told Taggart that Taggart had been doing a good job in handling routine personnel checks and the only complaint he had with Taggart was Maheu's influence upon Taggart.

7. Barnes allegedly critical of Bureau's handling of special inquiry investigation relating to Barnes.

Barnes accused someone of steering FBI Agents to persons in SBA, and Barnes criticized the Bureau for going to these people and interviewing them. Barnes stated he had no comment whatsoever concerning the background investigation conducted by the Bureau concerning him, that the Bureau was within its rights to conduct as much investigation as was necessary to fulfill its responsibilities. He stated the information developed apparently was properly weighed to his thinking inasmuch as he was appointed to the position after the investigation was completed. He stated that he had not seen the results of the Bureau's investigation but presumed it had been fair.

8. Barnes indicated no further lower-level liaison with FBI and in the future liaison would be handled personally by him with the Director.



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Barnes stated that as Administration of SEA he had many obligations and duties to perform. He stated he had received extremely fine cooperation from the FBI in handling personnel investigations and had received similar assistance from Civil Service Commission. He stated that it was his sincere desire to have in his Compliance and Security Division individuals who would be respected by all Government agencies and that for this reason he was attempting to find an individual who would carry out his wishes and not spread rumors and discuss other business of SEA with employees who had no reason to be advised of such matters. He stated that he expected to place a man in this position who would cooperate thoroughly with the FBI and all other Government agencies and who would handle all necessary contacts with these agencies, and that he certainly did not have the time to handle such contacts himself.

Barnes stated he was completely dissatisfied with the loyalty to him on the part of Maheu and Taggart, that he did not appreciate Taggart going to his former employer with information discussed with him of an official nature, and that he would have no further use for Taggart in his organization.

Barnes concluded by stating that in the event he ever had any complaints of any kind concerning Bureau personnel, he would put the complaints in writing and furnish them to the Director where he felt that such complaints would receive proper attention. He stated that he wished to emphasize the fact that his conversation with former SA Taggart concerning his experience with Bureau personnel was not meant in a derogatory manner but was merely furnished to Taggart in explaining to Taggart why he had not named him as permanent Director of Compliance and Security for SEA.

July 9, 1954

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON  
MR. BOARDMAN  
MR. BELMONT  
MR. NICHOLS

Yesterday I saw former Special Agent Robert A. Maheu who is at the present time engaged in business with a private detective agency in Washington, D.C.

Mr. Maheu informed me that he had recently signed a contract with the Senate Banking and Currency Committee to do certain investigative work for that Committee.

He also informed me that from time to time, in the course of investigations which they conduct for private clients, they run across some information which he thought might be of interest to the Bureau and he wanted to know how he could make the same available to us. He mentioned particularly the fact that recently Colonel Henry A. Byroade, who he stated was an official of the State Department, was known to have had a luncheon engagement with the Alsops which extended for an hour and a half.

I told Mr. Maheu that whenever he came across any information which he thought might be of interest to the Bureau, he should feel at liberty to forward it to my office marked "Personal and Confidential."

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. ROSEN

DATE: August 6, 1954

FROM : E. H. WINTERBROWD

SUBJECT: ROBERT A. MAHEU ASSOCIATES  
(MAHEU A FORMER SPECIAL AGENT)

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This is to advise that on August 5, 1954, while you were in conference, former Special Agent Howard J. Leahy called at your office and conferred with the writer. He stated that he and a number of other former special agents are working for the Robert A. Maheu Associates which has been organized by former Special Agent Maheu and is an investigative analyst group. A brochure which Leahy left is attached and it certainly plays up the experience that members of the staff had in the FBI. As an example, it is stated "It has at its command the assistance of former FBI agents and other investigative experts, across the nation, thereby assuring national coverage."

Leahy stated his purpose in coming to the Bureau was that he desired, on behalf of the Robert A. Maheu Associates, to let us know they have a contract for the Capehart Committee to run out investigative leads. A copy of the contract which Leahy left is also attached and indicates that partners and principals of the staff are paid \$10 an hour; senior investigators, \$7 an hour; and junior investigators, \$5 per hour.

Leahy stated that he also wanted to make sure that the Bureau knew that the Robert A. Maheu Associates had no intent or desire whatsoever to interfere with the Bureau in any manner. He further stated that on occasions pertinent information is obtained which would be of interest to the Bureau and that it is the desire of Maheu and all members of the staff to make it available to the Bureau. In this regard he stated that in connection with the Clyde Powell matter, as the result of a lead given to them by the Capehart Committee, information was developed that Powell received \$3,000 from a contractor while he was with FHA and had used it to buy an automobile. He said they were checking out the purchase of the automobile. Leahy wanted to know if the Bureau desired this information and he was asked to make it available. He said he would get the information available together and give it to the writer.

Leahy was critical of the Capehart Investigating Committee saying that it had unexperienced personnel. He said further that the staff of the Committee only gave them individual leads and did not provide them with basic and background information. Therefore, the work being done for the Committee is sometimes disjointed and they don't

Attachments

cc Mr. Mohr  
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know the full significance of the leads. In other words, they work on a "one shot lead" basis.

Leahy said he had been given the job of trying to locate Harry Cane (Harry Cohen) alleged to be the brother of "Mickey" Cohen, and wanted to know whether this investigation would interfere with the Bureau in any manner. He was told that the Bureau would have no basis to object to the Capehart Committee looking for Cohen regardless of whether we had an interest in him. (According to the news reports of August 6, 1954, Cane was located in Chicago and served with a subpoena).

Leahy wanted to know whom he should contact when he came across pertinent information. He was advised to either call the writer or Mr. Courtney Evans.

Leahy served with the Bureau from June 1, 1942, until October 2, 1945, when he resigned and subsequently went with the Veterans Administration. He was last assigned to the Washington Field Office in Grade GS 11 at \$4300 per annum. He had considerable experience in police training, lecturing on traffic matters, etc. He was rated as satisfactory. His file reflects that he had numerous jobs and it appears that he is a floater. In 1948 he was a dean at Seton Hall University. Later he was with McLeod at the State Department and in this regard former Inspector Egan advised that two confidential sources who would not disclose themselves or testify claimed with assurance that Leahy allegedly had engaged in homosexual practices and had been a drunkard.\* Former Inspector Egan said he could not either establish or disestablish the allegation. Leahy's file contains no information along these lines.

With respect to Robert A. Maheu, he entered the Bureau December 9, 1940, and resigned July 24, 1947. His performance ratings were satisfactory and his resignation, according to his letter, was submitted on the basis of his wife's physical condition. He resigned from the Bureau at a time when his services could not be construed as critical. According to his file, which contains only favorable comments of him by the Bureau, after he left he organized an organization known as "Dairy Dream Farms, Inc.," which was unsuccessful and in that connection it was reported he had acted dishonestly.

On February 26, 1954, Maheu called and spoke with the Director advising that he had resigned from the Small Business Administration and was opening a private investigative agency. He said he wanted



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the Director to know if he could be of any service to the Bureau he was always available. At that time he expressed himself strongly as to how ex-agents should act and should try to live up to the high ideals of the Bureau.

It will be recalled that Maheu and former Special Agent Ray Taggart had a serious disagreement with Wendell Burton Barnes of the Small Business Administration.

OBSERVATION

Unless advised to the contrary, information will be accepted from Leahy or the Maheu Associates as we would from any other source; however, we will be most circumspect in any conversations we might have with any members of this group.

Leahy will be followed if he does not furnish the information relative to Clyde Powell within a reasonable time.

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. TOLSON

DATE: 8/20/54

FROM : J. P. MOHR

SUBJECT: ROBERT A. MAHEU ASSOCIATES

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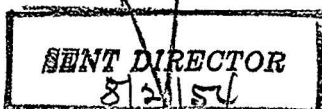
Mr. John D. Marsh, who owns and operates the Marsh Building near Connecticut Avenue and M Street, N. W., called me this morning to ask if I could give him any guidance or advice with respect to leasing space to the above-captioned outfit. He said he understood that Maheu was a former Special Agent and he had associated with him a group of other former Agents who were engaged in the private investigative business. He said he had no idea what they were doing and he would like to get a line on them before he entered into any lease with them.

I have known Mr. Marsh for some time and he is a high-type business man in Washington dealing in insurance sales and setting up insurance estates for various individuals. He told me he had in mind possibly renting some space to Maheu adjoining his own quarters, it being noted that Mr. Marsh has a very large suite of offices in the basement of his building from which he operates the J. D. Marsh Associates.

I told Mr. Marsh that Maheu was a former Agent in the Bureau, that he left us some time ago and there was not anything I could furnish him from our records which would be of any assistance to him. I did tell him, however, that before having Maheu move into his space he should stop, look and listen. Mr. Marsh expressed appreciation and said he would be guided accordingly.

The foregoing is submitted for record purposes.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

July 8, 1954

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Former Special Agent Bob Maheu called and stated he would like to see Mr. Hoover sometime at his convenience. He has a couple of things which he thought might be of interest to Mr. Hoover. He said he is going to leave town early tomorrow morning and will be back Wednesday. He can be reached at NAtional 8-9317. His file brief has been requested.

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Mr. Harbo	<i>[Signature]</i>
Mr. Mohr	<i>[Signature]</i>
Mr. Parsons	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tamm	
Mr. Jones	
Mr. Sizoo	
Mr. Winterrowd	
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Mr. Holloman	
Miss Holmes	
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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Mohr

DATE: July 9, 1954

FROM : H. L. Edwards

SUBJECT: ~~RAYMOND TAGGERT~~  
Former Special Agent  
EOD as SA 9-24-45  
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On 7-8-54 Former Special Agent Raymond Taggart (you will recall he was recently employed with Former Special Agent Robert A. Maheu at the Small Business Administration (SBA) and the two of them were forced out of there as a result of some disagreement with the head of that agency) telephoned me and advised that he and Former Special Agent Robert A. Maheu are now associated together in the private investigative enterprise at 917 15th Street, N. W. operating under the name of Robert A. Maheu and Associates, phone National 8-9317. The purpose of his call was to ascertain whether we had any knowledge of a former stenographer who might be available to accept a secretarial position with them. He said they would be prepared to pay in the neighborhood of \$3500 a year if they could get someone with Bureau training. He said the job would be an average of five days a week with overtime and it was expected that the girl would be able to not only handle stenographic and secretarial work but also do a good deal of administrative and clerical work as she gained experience. I told Mr. Taggart that I knew of nobody who would fill the bill.

Mr. Taggart mentioned that being forced out of SBA was the best thing that could have happened to him, and now business with them was booming.

This is submitted for information purposes only.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Mohr *JMH*

FROM : H. L. Edwards *HL*

SUBJECT: ROBERT AIME MAHEU  
Former Special Agent

DATE: September 26, 1954

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Mr. Holloman advised on September 17, 1954, that the Director desires a memorandum regarding former Special Agent Robert Maheu, who operates the "Maheu Associates" in Washington, D. C.

The attached permanent brief of Maheu's file reflects he entered on duty as a Special Agent on December 9, 1940, and resigned July 24, 1947, reason for resignation being given as the ill health of his wife.

Maheu's services as an Agent were entirely satisfactory, during which time he had been assigned to the Phoenix, Seattle, New York and Boston Offices, his last grade and salary having been CAF - 12, \$6623.40 per annum.

Maheu's letter dated September 16, 1949, stated that shortly after his resignation from the Bureau, he organized a general brokerage business in the State of Maine. He said he was principal stockholder of Dairy Dream Farms, Incorporated, which merchandized a specially processed canned sweet cream in about thirty states and ten foreign countries.

Maheu's letter dated January 15, 1952, advised that because of the Director's recommendation, he was offered and had accepted the position of Director of Compliance for the Small Defense Plants Administration with a starting salary of \$10,800 per annum in GS-15. He had previously (on September 21, 1949) been advised he was being recommended to the President of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad for possible employment.

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On January 19, 1953, Mr. Jerome G. Daviau, Attorney-at-Law, Waterville, Maine, stated that he understood former SA Maheu had been recommended by the Director to an assignment bearing on our national security and Daviau was concerned whether or not Maheu deserved the Director's personal recommendation. Mr. Daviau indicated that Maheu had engaged in irregular activities in connection with a business enterprise known as "Dairy Dream Cream" and stated that many people had been "flimflamed" as a result of investing money in this enterprise. He furnished the names of various individuals in Waterville, Maine and New York City who could furnish information in this regard. The Director noted, "Get to bottom of this promptly."

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On January 29, 1953, it was recommended and approved that Maheu not be recommended by the Bureau for any position in the future. Inquiry reflected that Mr. Daviau had apparently had considerable controversy with Maheu in connection with "Dairy Dream Farms" and sued Maheu in Municipal Court, New York City during November, 1952, for legal services rendered. Roland Vigue of New York stated Maheu told Judge during this hearing that Maheu had been recommended for the position he held at that time by the Director. Mr. Daviau made no mention of this incident in his letter or upon subsequent interview. Inquiry reflected Maheu apparently had experienced extensive financial difficulties in connection with "Dairy Dream Farms" and still owed considerable money as a result. Daviau and Vigue did not believe he acted honestly and in good faith in this connection and felt he had capitalized on his former association with the FBI. Various individuals at Waterville, Maine, including several who lost money in Maheu's venture, felt he acted in good faith and was attempting to see that the investors who lost money were eventually repaid. No further inquiry would be made but Maheu would not be recommended by the Bureau in the future.

Accordingly, an inquiry from the Department of Health, Education and Welfare April 9, 1953, was so handled. An inquiry from E. J. Stocking, Assistant Chief, Examining Division, U. S. Civil Service Commission, received October 28, 1953, was similarly handled.

Maheu had been elected Treasurer of the Washington Chapter of the Society of Former Special Agents November 2, 1953.

On February 26, 1954, the Director saw Maheu who stated he had resigned from the Small Business Administration and was opening a private detective agency.

Again on July 8, 1954, when the Director saw Maheu he informed the Director he had recently signed a contract with the Senate Banking and Currency Committee to do certain investigative work. On the same date former Special Agent Raymond Taggart advised he and Maheu were now associated in the private investigative enterprise under the name of Robert S. Maheu and Associates in Washington, D. C.

Maheu called the Director's Office July 30, 1954, advising he was leaving August 1, 1954, for London in connection with the "Onassis deal" which revolved around a virtual monopoly of all oil in Saudi-Arabia.

On August 5, 1954, former Special Agent Howard J. Leahy advised he and a number of other former Special Agents were working for the Robert A. Maheu Associates, described as an investigative analyst group. He stated they had a contract with the Capehart Committee to run out investigative leads.

On September 7, 1954, former Special Agent Leahy advised Inspector Rogers that Robert A. Maheu Associates was considering going into the field of conducting surveys of police departments. In connection with this, Mr. Tolson noted "We should watch this closely or they will use us". The Director noted "I agree".

Without contacting any outside sources, it has been disclosed through inquiry within the Bureau that in addition to Maheu, Taggart and Leahy, the following former Special Agents are now believed to be or contemplate being with Maheu Associates: ~~Louis J. Russell~~, Richard Lawrence and Charles Lyons.

In connection with Leahy, <sup>former</sup> Inspector Egan advised on January 15, 1954, that two confidential sources who would not disclose themselves or testify with assurance, alleged that Leahy had engaged in homosexual practices and had been a drunkard subsequent to leaving the FBI.

#### RECOMMENDATION

None. For information only.

V. J. P. 9/20

We must see that we are most circumspect in all dealings with Maheu here & in the Field.

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October 18, 1954

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON  
MR. BOARDMAN  
MR. BELMONT  
MR. NICHOLS

On October 12, 1954, former Special Agent Howard J. Leahy called to see me. He is at the present time associated with Robert A. Mahon Associates. Mr. Leahy stated he wanted to express to me his appreciation for the assistance which the Bureau had extended to him on numerous occasions when he had been connected with various Government organizations and stated he shall always have a warm spot in his heart for the Bureau.

During the course of his conversation, he related to me an incident which he stated had recently occurred. He stated that in New York City, an employee of the Atomic Energy Commission had made available to Frank Bielaski, a private detective, a report of the AEC which had been disseminated to the Atomic Energy Commission and which dealt with an individual who was employed by some industrial concern and as a result of the furnishing of this information to Bielaski it was subsequently passed on by Bielaski to the private corporation.

Mr. Leahy stated that he, in turn, communicated with Mr. Dave Teeple of AEC and advised him of this development and he believed Mr. Teeple had assigned an inspector to look into the matter. Immediately upon the departure of Mr. Leahy, I communicated with Mr. Nichols and directed that immediate steps be taken to contact Mr. Teeple and ascertain the identity of the case, in order that we might give it appropriate attention as, if such act took place, it would probably be a violation of the law and would certainly be a gross breach of security of information disseminated by us to other Government agencies.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON  
MR. BOARDMAN  
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On October 12, 1954, former Special Agent Howard J. Leahy called to see me. Mr. Leahy is now associated with the Robert A. Maheu Associates, a private investigative group in Washington, D. C. Mr. Leahy told me that someone in our Washington Field Office had disclosed information contained in a recent SAC Letter which cautioned our Agents against having contacts with the Maheu Associates. He stated that this information ultimately reached one of the former agents employed by the Maheu Associates. Mr. Leahy did not identify the former Agent employed by Maheu Associates nor did he know the identity of the contact in the Washington Field Office who had disclosed the information either directly or indirectly to the employee of Maheu associates.

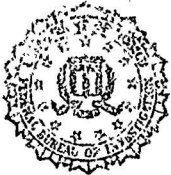
I told Mr. Leahy that I well recalled the SAC Letter which was sent out and that in itself it did not mean that this Bureau had any specific information reflecting upon the Maheu Associates but it was sent out to alert our personnel of the fact that there was such an organization as the Maheu Associates in operation and that it was performing certain work for Congressional Committees and, as in all other activities of such character, the Maheu Associates were not entitled to any confidential information in the files of the FBI nor special consideration.

Immediately upon Mr. Leahy's leaving, I called Mr. Nichols and directed that he take immediate steps to initiate a thorough investigation so as to ascertain the source of the leak in our Washington Field Division.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON 25, D C  
October 14, 1954

Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
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Mr. Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
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Mr. Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Pursuant to your instructions, I called former Special Agent Robert Maheu and told him you could not possibly see him in view of commitments in connection with the United States Attorneys' Conference. Maheu then furnished me the following information.

He has a client by the name of Stavros Niarchos, who is in the shipping business and who is in competition with Aristoteles Socrates Onassis. Niarchos and Onassis are brothers-in-law, having married sisters. (You will recall that Onassis was charged in a sealed indictment on October 13, 1953, that he conspired with others to violate the false statement statute of the United States by submitting false statements to the U. S. Maritime Commission in the purchase of surplus tankers. The indictment remained sealed until February 1954 when Onassis returned to this country and was taken into custody. He was released on \$10,000 bond and his case is still pending.)

Former Special Agent Leon Turrou, who is residing in Paris and holds himself out to be an "international investigator," became associated with Onassis in connection with an incident concerning the transportation of oil to Saudi-Arabia. Turrou allegedly first met Onassis shortly after Onassis was indicted in the United States and Turrou is alleged to have told Onassis it was unfortunate that Onassis had not met Turrou before the indictment was returned as Turrou was a former Special Agent of the FBI and was still close to the FBI and could have worked it so the indictment would not have been returned against Onassis.

Spiros Catapoudis was formerly employed by Onassis and acted as an intermediary between Onassis and certain officials of Saudi-Arabia who were bribed by Onassis in order to secure the exclusive shipping contract for oil out of Saudi-Arabia. Catapoudis is allegedly acquainted with and a friend of Turrou. After the exclusive contracts were obtained by Onassis, Onassis did not pay Catapoudis for his part in the deal and, as a result, Catapoudis is very hostile toward Onassis. Catapoudis had in his possession certain documents which he alleged would prove irregularities between Onassis and the Saudi-Arabian officials, especially Saudi-Arabian officials Ali Alireza and his brother Mohammed Alireza. Also involved was Abdullah Soufaiman, Minister of Finance of Saudi-Arabia, who has subsequently become involved

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in a similar deal involving the German Government and is no longer Minister of Finance for Saudi-Arabia. Onassis allegedly made pay-offs to these officials in order to get the contracts for Onassis, as mentioned above.

In view of the fact that Niarchos (Maheu's client) and Onassis are in bitter competition with each other, Niarchos has been trying to get Saudi-Arabian officials to abrogate the Saudi-Arabian agreements with Onassis regarding the shipment of oil. Maheu stated the United States Government is also interested in seeing that these agreements are abrogated.

Turrou became associated with Catapoudis in regard to the documents which Catapoudis had and which Catapoudis was desirous of selling. Maheu previously advised his client (Niarchos) not to purchase these documents but he has now learned that his client did purchase these documents from Catapoudis and Turrou, paying \$280,000 in cash, \$50,000 of which was Turrou's cut. These documents, of course, were bought by Niarchos in order to further his attempts to have the agreements between Saudi-Arabia and Onassis abrogated. Maheu went to Athens for his client (Niarchos), picked up the documents and delivered them to Saudi-Arabian officials in furtherance of his client's plans.

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Maheu feels that Turrou received his cut in cash and <sup>will</sup> ~~it was~~ not be reported in income.

He also stated that Turrou must certainly have known these documents would be of great assistance to the United States Government, but instead of attempting to have them turned over to the U. S. Government Turrou went along with Catapoudis in peddling them for money.

I thanked Maheu for furnishing the above information to us.

Respectfully,

  
F. C. Holloman

FCH:eff



September 17, 1954

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON  
MR. MOHR

Today I saw Special Agent Charles W. Lyons of the Washington Field Office who stated he had been approached by former Special Agent Robert Maheu, who is operating some sort of an investigative agency in Washington, D. C., and had been offered the position of opening a London branch for Mr. Maheu's outfit. Mr. Lyons stated he told Mr. Maheu that he could not consider this matter unless it had my approval and that was the reason he was coming to see me.

I told Mr. Lyons that any decision in a matter of this kind would have to be made solely by him. I suggested that he consider, first, the material advantages of leaving the Bureau after fourteen years of service, and second, whether he would be happy in the new work upon which he was to embark. Mr. Lyons stated he had considered these aspects and was interested in accepting the offer and in entering upon the new field of work.

Mr. Lyons stated that he thought that being at London he might be able to be of some service to our Legal Attache and wanted us to know that we would always have his cooperation. I thanked Mr. Lyons for his offer.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

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~~CONFIDENTIAL AIR POUCH~~

AIR MAIL

DATE: September 22, 1954

~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~

TO: Mr. John Cingerman  
Legal Attache  
The American Embassy  
London, England

FROM: Director, FBI

For your information, former Special Agent Robert A. Maheu has initiated a private investigative agency in Washington, D. C. The Bureau is not advised of the identity of all individuals associated with him, but it is understood he has hired several former Special Agents and he is now in the process of opening offices in cities outside the United States. His first office will be opened in London and he is placing in charge of this office Special Agent Charles Lyons who is submitting his resignation to take the job with the Maheu group.

It is entirely possible that members of this organization will contact the Legal Attaches and I want to call to your attention this is strictly a private investigative body which has no official government connection and accordingly representatives of the Bureau cannot render any assistance or furnish any information to members of the Maheu group.

cc: Legal Attache (Confid. Liaison Representative  
Paris, France Air Pouch) Heidelberg, Germany (Via Army Courier)

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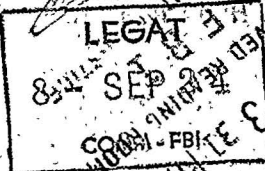
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Director, FBI

October 2, 1954

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ROBERT A. MAHEU ASSOCIATES  
POLICE COOPERATION

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Senior Inspector ALBERT SHAPIRO, Detroit Police Department, requested that this Office furnish him with any information regarding Robert A. Mahou Associates, 1832 M Street Northwest, Washington, D. C., which organization is interested in police work. Inspector SHAPIRO stated that he had a communication from captioned organization stating that it conducted surveys of police departments for the purpose of increasing efficiency in law enforcement. Inspector SHAPIRO requested that any information pertaining to the reputation and reliability of this organization be furnished to him.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson *per D*

FROM : L. B. Nichols

SUBJECT: ROBERT MAHEU ASSOCIATES

DATE November 17, 1954

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At 4:20 p.m. today former Special Agent Robert Maheu in my absence called Mr. McGuire of my office advising that he was terribly upset and he wanted the Director to know that he has been out of his office for the past four weeks, having returned from abroad to Washington Monday of this week and he had in fact only been in his office ten days out of the entire last four month period. He stated that he had heard that Howard Leahy had gone to see the Director and that he personally felt and always had that the Director or anyone in the Bureau had a perfect and absolute right to do anything in the administration of the Bureau that it wanted to do and if the Director had sent out a letter to the field on any topic he, Maheu, would never question the fact that such letter was sent as he would know in his heart that the Bureau had a fundamental sound reason for doing so. Maheu said he was terribly sorry that Leahy had ever come to the Bureau and that the fuss that had developed would never have happened had he personally been in Washington at the time. He stated he was disturbed when he heard about the incident on his return and had called his office staff together and told them that he never wanted to have anything challenged by any member of his staff that pertained to anything the Bureau had done or was doing. Maheu advised that before leaving on October 16th he told everyone in his office he wanted this matter dropped and he told them the reasons he wanted it dropped as he had perfect confidence that the Bureau knew what it was doing and that no member of his staff should make any issue out of anything transpiring in the Bureau. Further, he told them that anything that they, the members of Maheu's staff, did was just the same as if he, Maheu, personally was doing it.

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Maheu was considerably agitated advising that he wanted the Director to know right now as soon as word could be sent to him that Maheu had just heard this afternoon that Leahy was out in a restaurant shooting off his mouth about what he, Leahy, had said to the Director and so forth. Maheu advised that this is in direct contradiction to instructions that Maheu has given to his staff and that he did not appreciate anybody mouthing off like this. Maheu advised that he

cc - Mr. Mohr

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Memorandum for Mr. Tolson from L. B. Nichols

November 17, 1954

RE: ROBERT MAHEU ASSOCIATES

does not know whether Leahy is drinking at the moment, but he does know that as soon as Leahy returns to the office this afternoon he is going to pay him off and give him notice. Maheu stated that such chattering is not in accordance with his personal instructions to his office staff. He further advised that he does not know who Leahy was talking to, but that he had just heard from two friends of his who were sitting in a booth twice removed from a booth Leahy was sitting in and they could hear him at that distance as he was talking and bragging in such a loud voice. Maheu stated that certainly he knew and he would think any other member of his staff would know that none of them are in any position to challenge anything the Bureau does and that he personally would not think of even raising a question as he has absolute confidence in the Bureau about following whatever course of action it takes because of some good reason. Maheu again stated he was terribly upset by this whole matter and that he would not presume himself to intrude on any friendships he has with Bureau personnel to inquire as to any action the Bureau was taking or not taking on any of its own internal affairs.

He asked if this information could be passed on to the Director and was assured we would be glad to do so.

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Director, FBI

October 14, 1954

SAC, WFO

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

ROBERT A. MAHEU ASSOCIATES

Mr. NICHOLS advised me on October 12, 1954, of the leak of information from this office regarding ROBERT A. MAHEU ASSOCIATES, which was furnished to us by SAC Letter No. 54-53, dated October 5, 1954. He told me, too, of your deep concern over this unauthorized disclosure of official information.

I do want you to know I regret exceedingly that this has happened, and I sincerely hope that the responsible party will be identified promptly so he can be removed from our midst.

I have vigorously discussed this entire matter in detail at a series of squad conferences held in this office on October 13, 1954.

I pointed out that the Bureau has always followed the basic policy of putting its cards on the table in dealing with its employees. I explained the information in this particular SAC Letter was furnished to all Special Agents for their information, to let them know this organization, a private investigative agency, comprised several former Special Agents and that, while it was a strictly private investigative body which had no official Government connection, it was understood that it may do investigative work for Congressional Committees on a contractual basis. I told the Agents, too, that this material was made available to them for their guidance, to keep them from getting in trouble and being "mouse trapped" by unguarded comments to persons outside of the Bureau and especially former Special Agents. I stated that this data was similar to other material the Bureau had furnished from time to time for our information and in order that we might be alert against making any remarks to outsiders concerning the Bureau's work. I told the Agents that it was a sad day indeed when the Bureau can't discuss its business frankly or make material available to its representatives because of leaks. I referred to the many instructions, oral and written both issued by the Bureau and this office, regarding the absolute necessity for retaining in confidence information we learn in connection with our work. I stated that

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Re: Robert A. Menez Associates

the Bureau was greatly embarrassed because information in an official Bureau document, plainly marked Strictly Confidential, was furnished to outsiders. I told the Agents that, as Agent in Charge, I too was highly embarrassed by this action. I stated that the Bureau could not and would not tolerate violation of its instructions and when the culprit was identified he would be dealt with severe administrative action.

I told the Agents that I always regarded Special Agents of the FBI as honest and honorable men. I asked whoever was responsible for this reprehensible action to be honorable enough to report it to me.

The general reaction of the Agents was that of anger and concern: anger that anyone in the office would be so stupid to inadvertently or otherwise let official information get out of the office; or so dishonest as to deliberately give outsiders information to which they are not entitled. The Agents expressed serious concern over the embarrassment this caused to the Bureau, to the office in general and, especially, to the suspicion it has cast over each and every Agent in WFO. Generally, the Agents indicated they were much interested in the prompt identification of the party responsible so that he could be appropriately dealt with for his breach of trust. They felt, too, that by identifying the culprit the suspicion now hanging over them and the doubt as to their loyalty could be removed. From the general reaction of the Agents, and particularly some of the older experienced men, I feel confident that they will be alert and promptly report any information regarding this matter to me.

As SAC, I am very much disturbed by the thought we have in WFO a person who would violate his sacred oath of office. I realize fully this is a most serious reflection on me, particularly because I have failed to obtain complete compliance with existing regulations and instructions regarding the proper handling of official data. The supervisory staff shares my feelings.

I have mentioned to Mr. NICHOLS the possibility of talking to the person who furnished this information to the Bureau in order that he might be interviewed in an endeavor to



Re: Robert A. Mahen Associates

obtain his source of information. Mr. NICHOLS has explained to me that this is not possible at this time. Should circumstances later permit this action, we certainly would appreciate the opportunity of interviewing this party.

Bureau approval is requested for authorization for me to openly interview ROBERT A. MAHEN concerning this matter. I would tell MAHEN frankly that any FBI employee who would furnish official information to a person outside the Bureau, who has no right to such material, is disloyal to his sacred oath of office and the trust placed in him by the FBI, an official Government Agency, and the identity of such an individual should be made known to us.

I assure you that all of us in WFO are genuinely sincere in our desire that this matter be resolved promptly.

SAC, Detroit (80-90)

October 11, 1954.

Director, FBI

ROBERT A. MAHEU ASSOCIATES  
POLICE COOPERATION  
RESEARCH (CRIME RECORDS)

Reurlet October 2, 1954

You should contact Inspector Albert Shapiro, Detroit Police Department, and advise him that Robert A. Mahew is a former Bureau Agent, that he left us sometime ago and that there is not anything, therefore, that we can tell him about Mahew's activities at the present time which would be of assistance to him. It should be emphasized that the Bureau does not, of course, have any connection with Mahew's present activities.

You will note that SAC Letter Number 54-53, dated October 5, 1954, Section K, sets out information concerning Robert A. Mahew Associates.

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

November 24, 1954  
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Ray Taggart, former Special Agent and now associated with Robert Maheu Associates, called.

He said that Bob Maheu's father died early yesterday morning. Maheu is now in Waterville, Maine, where the funeral is to be held.

Taggart thought the Director might like to know this.

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Mr. Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
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*Let's to Robert and Raymond Maheu - encl  
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November 29, 1954

Mr. Robert A. Maheu  
410 East Rosemary Lane  
Falls Church, Virginia

Dear Mr. Maheu:

I was terribly sorry to learn of the passing of your father and want to extend my deepest sympathy. If we can be of assistance to you in any way, I hope that you will let us know.

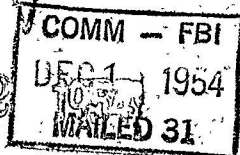
Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

NOTE: Robert A. Maheu EOD 12-9-40 as SA. Voluntarily resigned 7-24-47 as CAF-12. His services were satisfactory, and the Bureau has had cordial relations with him since his resignation. Although Mr. Taggart advised that Maheu had gone to Waterville, Maine, the funeral will undoubtedly have been held by the time Maheu receives this note, and it is felt that it should be sent to his Washington address rather than to Maine.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. TOLSON

DATE:

October 27, 1954

FROM : J. P. MOHR

SUBJECT: ROBERT A. MAHEU/ASSOCIATES

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Reference is made to Mr. Nichols' memorandum dated October 25, 1954, captioned as above in which he suggested that I endeavor to ascertain from former SA Daniel L. O'Connor if the Bureau's SAC Letter with respect to the Robert A. Maheu Associates was taken up at the meeting of the Society of Former Agents on October 7, 1954. Mr. Nichols has been endeavoring to find out how this SAC Letter leaked out of the Bureau. The Director approved my making the contact with O'Connor.

I called Mr. O'Connor on October 26, 1954, and he told me that there was a meeting of the Society of Former Special Agents at the Burlington Hotel on October 7, 1954. He said that the meeting started at 6:30 PM with dinner. However, he did not arrive at the meeting until 7:30 PM. He spoke to the group very briefly about the plans for the convention in Chicago in November; he left the meeting at 8:00 PM. O'Connor said that he had heard nothing about an SAC Letter concerning the Robert A. Maheu Associates at the meeting while he was there. He did tell me that on the previous day, October 25, 1954, that former SA Raymond A. Taggart, who is Maheu's Office Manager, was in O'Connor's office on business and mentioned to O'Connor that the Bureau had issued an SAC Letter concerning Robert A. Maheu Associates. I asked O'Connor specifically if Taggart indicated that the Bureau had put the Associates on a black list and O'Connor said he did not. He said as a matter of fact Taggart mentioned the fact that one of the representatives of the Associates, Howard Leahy, had called on the Director and discussed the matter with him and the Director had explained to Leahy the type of letter that it was. I told O'Connor that I had heard that the matter had been discussed at the Society's meeting on October 7, 1954; that this had come from several sources and asked if he would check and see if it was discussed at the meeting.

O'Connor called me on October 27, 1954, and said he had talked with Ray Taggart who was at the meeting on October 7, 1954, and that Taggart told O'Connor that nothing was said at this meeting concerning the matter and that he, Taggart, had heard nothing concerning the SAC Letter at this particular meeting. Obviously if it was discussed at the meeting in any way whatsoever, Taggart would have been the logical person to hear about it and this

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cc - Mr. Nichols

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seems to spike the notion that some of the former agents are trying to generate that the matter was common knowledge on October 7, 1954, and had been discussed at the former agents' meeting. O'Connor told me that Maheu himself was out of town at the time the meeting was held; that he subsequently returned to town, and that he, O'Connor had lunch with Maheu on October 13, 1954. He said former SA Richard Simon was present during the luncheon and at no time did Maheu bring up the matter. However, he felt that Maheu would have had he known about it at the time. O'Connor said that Maheu was presently in Rome.

I have already informed Mr. Nichols of the substance of my conversation with Mr. O'Connor and a copy of this memorandum has been sent to him for his information.

✓ J. J. Maheu



November 29, 1954

Mr. Raymond A. Taggart  
1315 Merrimack Avenue  
Hyattsville, Maryland

Dear Mr. Taggart:

I have been advised of your telephone call last Wednesday, and I want to thank you for advising me of the death of Robert Maheu's father.

Sincerely yours,

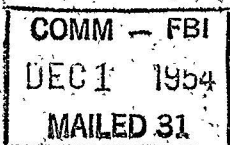
J. Edgar Hoover

NOTE: Raymond A. Taggart EOD as Clerk on 12-29-42 and as SA on 1-3-44. He voluntarily resigned 4-7-51. His services were satisfactory. Address per telephone directory.

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TO : Mr. Tolson ✓

FROM : L. B. Nichols

SUBJECT: ROBERT MAHEU ASSOCIATES

DATE: October 25, 1954

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SAC Laughlin called me from the Washington Field Office this morning and stated that there were two developments that occurred over the weekend.

*X Washington F.O.*

Supervisor Obendorf of the Washington Field Office was able to run into John Murphy, former Special Agent who is a partner in Sanders Bar and Grill. On a very personal and confidential basis, Obendorf secured from Murphy further details on the alleged contents of the SAC Letter. Murphy in confidence told Obendorf that he received a telephone call on Thursday night, October 7, 1954, from a Bureau Supervisor who asked him what was back of the Maheu matter since Maheu had been put on the Bureau's black list in an SAC Letter. Murphy would not identify the Bureau Supervisor although he did say that he was not particularly close to the Supervisor but the Supervisor did know that Murphy had been associated with Maheu. John Murphy told Obendorf that he is very close to Bob Maheu personally and he knew that Maheu was out of town, and since he had a series of appointments on Friday, October 8, 1954, he called former Special Agent William Staten early Friday morning and asked Staten to call former Special Agent Roy Taggart, who is associated with Robert Maheu and who has an interest in the firm.

Murphy further related that on Friday, October 8, he had lunch with three associates of Robert Maheu and identified them as Lou Russell, Emmett Leahy (this is undoubtedly Howard Leahy), and the third person he named only as *Security* (this is no doubt John *Security*, formerly employed with Pathfinder Magazine and now with the Maheu outfit). At the lunch, John Murphy claims he asked the three what they thought of Staten's call to Taggart that morning. He did not elaborate on this.

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Murphy further told Obendorf that the matter of the SAC Letter on Robert Maheu Associates was discussed at a meeting of the Former Special Agents Society on Thursday night, October 7. SAC Laughlin thinks that this meeting was held at the Burlington Hotel.

cc: Mr. Harbo  
Mr. Mohr  
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*This is shocking & indicates we have a rat in one of our Divisions here at Headquarters.*

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*Society of Former F.B.I. Agents*

Memorandum to Mr. Tolson from L. B. Nichols  
RE: ROBERT MAHEU ASSOCIATES

Obendorf is still going to try to pump John Murphy further.

The very first thing this morning, Special Agent Dave ~~Murphy~~, who has previously furnished information as a result of his conversation with former Special Agent William Staten, came in and told Laughlin that at church yesterday he ran into a former Agent. He gave Laughlin the former Agent's initials, which were L. C., and Laughlin inquired if this was Les ~~Condon~~. Murphy confirmed this and then related that Condon asked Dave Murphy, "What's the story on Maheu's being on the Bureau's black list?" Dave said he did not know and asked Condon where he heard of any such thing. Condon stated he heard it discussed at the last meeting of the Former Special Agents Society, which he described as Thursday, October 7. There was nothing further said between Condon and Murphy.

Laughlin was wondering how direct our informant was to the information because he reasoned that it probably grew out of the Friday luncheon meeting of Murphy, Russell, Garrity and Leahy. Laughlin further emphasized that Murphy's statement that he asked the three, "What do you think of Staten's call to Taggart this morning?" tended to confirm Staten's version that he got the information from Murphy. Laughlin further stated that if this came out at the Society of Former Agents meeting on Thursday evening, October 7, then he believes this changes the complexion so far as the source was concerned. Laughlin recounted that the SAC Letter arrived in the Washington Field Office, Thursday afternoon, October 7. He stated that he has now definitely determined that he did not give the SAC Letter to his secretary, Mrs. Parsons, to excerpt the portion pertaining to Maheu Associates until Friday morning and Mrs. Parsons typed this up and then he, Laughlin, gave this excerpt to the Supervisors of the Washington Field Office at 8:25 a.m. on October 8, to take up at the Supervisors conferences and that he is definite that no one in the Washington Field Office had the contents of the letter in the Washington Field Office until Friday morning.

Laughlin stated that this in no wise takes away from the seriousness of the matter since there was still a leak and whether the leak occurred in the Field Office or elsewhere did not matter to him.

I think that this latter information about the matter being taken up at the Former Agents Society meeting adds to the mystery. I am trying now to get confirmation independently. I talked to one former Special Agent this morning on another matter and casually brought up the last meeting of the Society of Former Special Agents. This former Agent was not at the meeting but stated he can find out what transpired without indicating any interest. The former Agent I talked to was Leonard ~~Winer~~.

With reference to the mailing of the SAC Letter dated October 5, 1954, I have checked back on it. The yellow of the letter itself was dated September 29, referring to the day it was typed. It reached the Director's office on September 29 where it was approved and reached Mr. Harbo's office on September 30. This letter in turn was prompted by the Director's notation on Mr. Edwards' memo of September 20, wherein the Director stated, "We must see that we are most circumspect in all dealings with Maheu, here and in the field." This memo was checked in the routing block to Mr. Tolson, Boardman, Nichols, Belmont, Mohr, Rosen and Sizoo. In the meantime, I had prepared a letter to the Legal Attaches dated September 22, which was mailed on September 24th. This was checked to Messrs. Boardman, Mohr, Rosen and Sizoo. The SAC Letter was processed and went out with the weekly SAC Letter which is dated October 5, 1954. This carries the Communications stamp indicating it was mailed October 5th. I verified the fact that it was placed in circulation on October 5th because it was checked into the various administrative offices at the Seat of Government.

I rechecked this matter with SAC Laughlin. He stated the letter was received in the Washington Field Office on October 6th, which would be Wednesday. There is no reason to doubt this because if it went out of the Mail Room on the evening of October 5th and even though it was delivered in the Washington Field Office on the evening of October 5th, since it was Bureau mail it would not be opened in Mr. Laughlin's office until the following morning if it arrived after Mr. Laughlin and his staff had left. Mr. Laughlin did not have a chance to thoroughly read this letter and indicate action until the following evening, October 7th, and then he had Mrs. Parsons type the pertinent paragraph on the morning of October 8th.

With reference to further pursuing this matter, since Mr. Mohr is close to former Special Agent Dan O'Connor, I would like to suggest he endeavor to ascertain from O'Connor if this was taken up at the Society of Former Agents on October 7th. Perhaps O'Connor might have some indication as to where it came from.

10/26/54  
OK.  
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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson

DATE: Oct. 21, 1954

FROM : L. B. Nichols

SUBJECT: ROBERT A. MAHEU ASSOCIATES

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Boardman \_\_\_\_\_  
 Nichols ☒ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
 Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

As set forth in my memorandum of October 18, 1954, I desire to advise that I informed SAC Laughlin of the Washington Field Office (WFO) that he should interview the Agents who are known to be closely associated with former Special Agent William Staten. I further informed SAC Laughlin that at the next squad conference, further comment was to be made on the leaking of information to a former Agent and that it was to be made crystal clear that henceforth Bureau communications are not to be the subject of discussion with persons outside the Bureau.

In my memorandum of October 18, 1954, I reported that former Special Agent Staten claimed that he met several Agents in the hall and that a couple of them in a joking manner commented on our SAC Letter with reference to the Maheu Associates. Staten very definitely conveyed the impression to me that his office was in the Old Post Office Building and I so advised you and the Director.

I asked Laughlin to check on this and he now informs me that Staten's office is not in the Old Post Office Building, but it is in the Internal Revenue Building, which is next door. There is a Treasury Unit of only eight people in the Old Post Office Building and this Treasury Unit is not associated with the new Inspection Unit of the Treasury Department.

SAC Laughlin informed me on the evening of October 21, 1954, that he had talked to all the Agents who were known to be friendly with Staten. With the exception of one, all denied having any discussion with Staten. Special Agent David J. Murphy, Jr., when asked about his relationship with Staten, volunteered the information that Staten had called him on the telephone on either October 11 or 12 and stated that in going up and down Pennsylvania Avenue he has heard the Bureau issued instructions that there was to be no information furnished the Maheu Associates. He pumped Murphy on this and Murphy told him he knew nothing about the matter. In the discussion with SAC Laughlin on Wednesday, October 20, Murphy volunteered that he might be able to pump Staten and secure some information from him. Murphy was concerned over the situation. Laughlin told him to go ahead.

cc: Mr. Harbo  
 Mr. Mohr  
 Personnel File William J. Staten, former SA  
 Personnel File John J. Murphy, former SA  
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Memorandum to Mr. Tolson from L. B. Nichols  
RE: ROBERT A. MAHEU ASSOCIATES

Murphy called Staten and had lunch with him today. Immediately after lunch, he reported to Laughlin the results. He informed Mr. Laughlin that Staten told him that I had sent for Staten and had discussed this matter with him. Staten informed Murphy that he had told me that he had run into a couple of Agents who joked about the matter; that obviously he, Staten, could not tell me the full facts and, accordingly, used the explanation that he secured the information in a joking manner.

Murphy then asked Staten just how he did get the information and Staten replied that around 8:15 a.m. on Friday, October 8, 1954, he received a telephone call from John J. Murphy. (John J. Murphy is a former Special Agent, now partner in Sanders Bar and Grill. He furnished the information to the Maheu Associates, according to our source of information and stated he received the information from William Staten who secured it from the Field Office. John J. Murphy is a cousin of Dave Murphy.) Continuing, Staten stated that John Murphy was a very close personal friend of Robert Maheu and John Murphy told Staten that he had heard last night, which would have been Thursday night, October 7, that the Maheu group had been put on the Bureau's black list; that John Murphy was going to be tied up that day and wanted to get this word to Maheu; and since the Maheu office would not open until 9:00 a.m., he asked Staten to call and pass the word on. This Staten did do.

Dave Murphy was upset over this information since John Murphy is a cousin and he told Laughlin that John Murphy should not have done any such thing as this, and Dave told Laughlin that this hurt him very much since he was fond of John Murphy and he also appreciated the spot that the Bureau had been put in by the unauthorized disclosure of the information. Dave Murphy asked if there was anything else he could do and Laughlin told him that he would let him know.

David Murphy's only explanation for not having reported the telephone call on the 11th or 12th was that he did not furnish any information.

I told SAC Laughlin at this point that I had talked to Staten. I reiterated what Staten had told me. I told him Staten had proved himself to be a liar in view of the story he told me that he received the information when Agents joked with him and the story he told Dave Murphy that he had gotten it from John J. Murphy.

Memorandum to Mr. Tolson from L. B. Nichols  
RE: ROBERT A. MAHEU ASSOCIATES



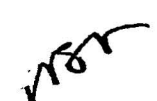
I told Laughlin in confidence and told him he could not discuss this with anyone, but that it was our information that John Murphy relayed the information to the Maheu group and that John Murphy said he got the information from Staten who got it from the Field Office. Both Laughlin and I agreed that the Staten version given to Dave Murphy was weak since John Murphy, being a close friend of Maheu as he is would have the home phone number of Maheu and others of the group; however, it is known Maheu was not in town at the time. Another weakness is that the SAC Letter was not given to the squads until the morning of October 8. Prior to that time, it was known only to the SAC and the supervisory staff in the Washington Field Office.

Laughlin stated that Supervisor Obendorf came to him yesterday. Obendorf was very much disturbed over the leak and is hurt personally by the incident, accordingly to Laughlin. He further stated that Obendorf had John Murphy assigned to his squad and that Obendorf felt that John Murphy would be honest with him if he felt he was being of some assistance. Obendorf volunteered and wants to run into John Murphy and pump him to see what he will say. I told Laughlin that certainly there could be no harm done in this and that Obendorf should go ahead, but that Obendorf should not relate to John Murphy the story related by William Staten.

SAC Laughlin would like to avoid disclosing to John Murphy the information relayed to him by Dave Murphy unless this becomes necessary. I told Laughlin to have Obendorf try his hand and if that didn't work, we would try something else.

We do know definitely that former Agent William Staten falsified the matter and that in view of our basic information it is not possible to accept his version, and that we must conclude that Staten did get the information from some Agent and Staten is now trying to cover up.

An extra copy of this memorandum is being made in order that it can go into the personnel files of John J. Murphy and William J. Staten.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson *Viper DS*

FROM : L. B. Nichols

SUBJECT: ROBERT A. MAHEU ASSOCIATES

DATE: October 16, 1954

Tolson ☒

Boardman ☒

Nichols ☒

Belmont ☒

Harbo ☒

Mohr ☒

Parsons ☒

Rosen ☒

Tamm ☒

Sizoo ☒

Winterrowd ☒

Tele. Room ☒

Holloman ☒

Gandy ☒

With reference to the leak from the ~~Washington~~ Washington Field Office (WFO) of information pertaining to the Robert A. Maheu Associates which appeared in SAC Letter No. 54-53, dated October 5, 1954, which was taken up with the squads in the WFO on Friday morning, October 8, 1954, I wish to advise as follows:

I discussed at some length this entire matter with the informant. There is absolutely no question in my mind but that the informant is telling the truth. The informant does not want his name, which is known to the Director, in any way to appear in Bureau memorandum or known. In checking back on the leak, the following facts have been developed.

~~John~~ John Murphy, a former employee of the Bureau who was assigned to the WFO, is a partner in a new bar which is presently being opened near the new O'Donnell's Restaurant, known as Sanders Bar and Grill. On Friday, October 8, 1954, Murphy made inquiry of a third person as to whether the third person had received the bad news. The third person inquired as to what bad news and Murphy is reported to have said that the Maheu organization had been put on the Bureau's list and Murphy had just gotten the information straight; that an SAC Letter had come out instructing that all Agents be circumspect in dealing with the Maheu organization. An inquiry has been directed to Murphy as to where he got the information and Murphy, in confidence, stated that he had received the information from former Special Agent Staten. Staten was described as presently being employed in Internal Revenue with former Agent Robinette, and that Staten had gotten it directly from the Field Office.

~~William Jay~~ William Jay Staten, who entered on duty August 18, 1947, submitted his resignation which took effect on July 20, 1954. He had been assigned to the WFO since February 15, 1948. Staten's letter of resignation was dated June 11, 1954. He assigned as his reason for resigning that he was seeking greater financial remuneration. Active duty ceased July 2, 1954. Under date of June 11, 1954, a letter of censure was directed to Staten arising from the loss of a book of Government Transportation Requests. This letter, however, was not mailed until June 14, 1954. The Director saw Staten at his request on June 16, 1954. His record appeared to be entirely satisfactory and he was regarded as a good Agent.

cc: Mr. Mohr  
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Memorandum to Mr. Tolson from L. B. Nichols  
RE: ROBERT A. MAHEU ASSOCIATES

The files reflect that Special Agent John Joseph Murphy entered on duty January 5, 1948, and resigned as of June 3, 1954. He had been assigned to the WFO since December 16, 1950. He submitted his resignation as of April 29, 1954; active duty to cease May 21, 1954. He gave as his reason for resigning the need for increased financial remuneration. His last efficiency report was satisfactory. He was assigned to the Soviet Section of the Espionage Squad.

I instructed SAC Laughlin to check the No. 3 cards for October 8, 1954, to determine if any of the Agents were at Internal Revenue and whether there was any reported interview with Staten. Laughlin subsequently reported back on the evening of October 15, 1954, that there were only two references which might indicate a contact. Special Agent W. D. Temple contacted the Personnel Security Office of the Treasury Department. In checking back on this, Laughlin learned that this was in a different building than Internal Revenue, was on an applicant case and, thus, does not indicate any possibility of a contact with Staten. The other contact was by Special Agent James C. Smith who contacted James C. Rivers, Bureau of Internal Revenue, in an applicant case. Laughlin has checked on the notes pertaining to this contact and there is nothing to indicate that Smith contacted Staten.

I told Laughlin that in a most discreet manner he should endeavor to get a line on the Agents who were close to Staten. He stated that he would do this and would advise the Bureau.

Rather than make any shotgun approach, I think we should endeavor to narrow down as much as possible Staten's contacts and once that has been determined, then I think we have no other alternative but to instruct Laughlin to interview all Agents on whom there is any indication of having close contact or association with Staten.

*Rather than do this,  
I think Nichols  
should ~~ask~~ tackle  
Staten directly*

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. TOLSON ✓

FROM : J. P. MOHR

SUBJECT: ROBERT A. MAHEU ASSOCIATES  
SAC LETTER 54-53 dated October 5, 1954

DATE: October 12, 1954

Tolson ✓  
Boardman ✓  
Nichols ✓  
Belmont ✓  
Mohr ✓  
Parsons ✓  
Rosen ✓  
Tamm ✓  
 Sizoo ✓  
Winterrowd ✓  
Tele. Room ✓  
Holloman ✓  
Gandy ✓

Mr. Nichols has advised that the Director has asked for an explanation as to why we sent out an SAC Letter concerning the above-captioned organization. The SAC Letter was sent out under date of October 5, 1954, marked "Personal Attention, Strictly Confidential", and was numbered 54-53. Section K is the pertinent section and it consists of two paragraphs. This section is quoted as follows:

"(K) ROBERT A. MAHEU ASSOCIATES -- Former Special Agent Robert A. Maheu has initiated a private investigative agency in Washington, D. C., and has hired several former Special Agents to assist in the operation of this organization. Although this is strictly a private investigative body which has no official Government connection it is understood that the organization may do investigative work for congressional committees on a contractual basis. Maheu is now in the process of opening offices in cities outside the United States.

"I want all Special Agents advised of the existence of this organization and instructed that they must be most circumspect in all dealings with Maheu or any of his representatives. In the event any investigative personnel should receive any information regarding the activities of this organization, or if any investigative personnel are contacted by representatives of this organization the Bureau should be immediately advised."

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You will recall that the Director saw former Special Agent Charles W. Lyons on September 17, 1954, and Lyons stated he was resigning to accept a position with former Special Agent Robert A. Maheu and that he, Lyons, had been offered the position of opening a London Branch for Robert A. Maheu Associates. The Director requested that the Administrative Division prepare a memorandum concerning the operation of Robert A. Maheu Associates and such a memorandum was prepared under date of September 20, 1954. The Director penned a notation on this memorandum as follows: "We must see that we are most circumspect in our dealings with Maheu here and in the field. H."

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When this memorandum was received, I discussed with Mr. Nichols the desirability of sending out an SAC Letter along general lines and Mr. Nichols suggested that an SAC Letter be prepared along the lines of the letter sent to all Legal Attaches dated September 22, 1954. I issued the necessary instructions in this division and had the SAC Letter prepared and specifically instructed that the substance of it be rather general in nature but that the field keep the Bureau informed of the activities of Maheu Associates. Of course, we are only interested in those activities of Maheu Associates which would be of interest to the Bureau.

At the time the SAC Letter was prepared I was aware of the fact that Maheu held a contract with the Capehart Committee to do investigative work and he had done some political investigations in New England and particularly in Maine for Margaret Chase Smith; that he had done some investigative work for Robert Young in regard to Young's efforts to obtain control of the New York Central Railroad and I was aware that Maheu's outfit was apparently interested in entering the field of police surveys. It seemed obvious to me that an SAC Letter was necessary in this matter in order to alert the field to the potential activities of Maheu Associates, particularly when we knew that Maheu had some rather questionable former agents working for him. It seems a shame to me that we can't seem to send instructions to our agents without having them blabber it all over Washington but I guess in the preparation of every SAC Letter and instruction to the field we have got to assume that anything that is said will eventually find its way to the public domain or at least to the ears of those about whom we are writing.

There is attached the yellow file copy of the SAC Letter in question, the original signed copy of the SAC Letter, as well as the file copy of the memorandum of September 20, 1954, and the yellow file copy of Mr. Nichols' letter to all Legal Attaches dated September 22, 1954.

I want you to know that I accept full responsibility for the SAC Letter that was sent out with respect to Robert A. Maheu Associates since it was prepared at my instruction and I personally approved the contents of this SAC Letter.

*✓ J. P. Mohr*  
We must be more careful  
in phrasing. That used in  
letter to Legal Attaches was  
proper but that in SAC letter  
was subject to misinterpretation

*those decisions  
dated 20. H.*

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson ✓

FROM : L. B. Nichols

SUBJECT: ROBERT MAHEU  
FORMER SPECIAL AGENT

DATE: Oct. 9, 1954

Tolson ✓  
Boardman ✓  
Nichols ✓  
Belmont ✓  
Harbo ✓  
Mohr ✓  
Parsons ✓  
Rosen ✓  
Tamm ✓  
 Sizoo ✓  
Winterrowd ✓  
Tele. Room ✓  
Holloman ✓  
Gandy ✓

Lou Russell, former Special Agent now employed by the Maheu group, called me late Friday evening. He was pretty much disturbed and stated he had heard a rumor that Maheu was persona non grata and that if this were so, he, Russell, wanted to sever his connections with Maheu and get out of the picture. I asked him the basis for his rumor and he stated it was his understanding some kind of an instruction had gone to the field; that Howard Leahy, another former Agent, was also upset and they simply did not want to be associated with anyone that was persona non grata. I told Lou I, of course, could not advise him on this; that, of course, it was routine to furnish advice to the field when matters of interest arose and that the possibility existed there may have been some word to the field that these former Agents had no government connection and that obviously it would not be possible to furnish them with any cooperation. I told Russell the Maheu group had some connection with Congressional committees and there could very easily be a misunderstanding of their status.

RAYMOND TAGGART

Russell stated he thoroughly understood, however, he thought there may have been some actions on the part of the Maheu group which were offensive to the Bureau. He stated for example that recently Maheu had hired former Special Agent Charles Lyons and sent him to London; that he thought this was a mistake and so told Taggart, who is another former Agent and one of Maheu's assistants. Taggart professed not to know of this. Russell then told me he had heard that Lyons went with the Bureau's blessing. I told Russell I doubted the accuracy of this; that I personally had seen Lyons shortly before he had left and I had told Lyons while the dye was already cast, if Lyons had talked to me I would have urged him to remain in the Bureau.

Russell further told me he has heard some rumors that Maheu was pretty well connected with the Bureau and that all Robert Maheu has to do is call the Director and he can see the Director in ten minutes.

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memo Mr. Tolson

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I told Russell this, of course, was silly; that anyone with the Director's responsibilities did not have that kind of time; that frankly this was more than I could do and I thought someone was talking.

I think the call of Russell does reflect his feelings toward the Bureau and also this call reflects that somebody has been talking out of turn because we did send a bulletin to the field only recently. Russell was evasive when I tried to pin him down as to where he heard this.

✓ ✓  
It is sickening that we  
can't send a bulletin to  
our Legat, Attaches, with-  
out the fact being leaked  
to ex-Agents. There are cer-  
tainly some rats among us.  
KD

ROBERT A. MAHEU ASSOCIATES

1832 M STREET, NORTHWEST  
WASHINGTON 6, D. C.

NATIONAL 8-4828

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Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Boardman	✓
Mr. Nichols	✓
Mr. Belmont	✓
Mr. Harbo	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
Mr. Parsons	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Tamm	✓
Mr. Sizoo	✓
Mr. Winterrowd	✓
Tele. Room	✓
Mr. Holloman	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

*H. J. [unclear]*

J. Edgar Hoover, Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

It was very thoughtful of you to write me concerning the passing of my father. Your kind offer for assistance during such a trying period is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely

*Robert A. Maheu*

Robert A. Maheu

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*No ack needed  
- reply to Bulet  
of 11/29/54  
YTB*

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson *per D's 11/10/54*

FROM : L. B. Nichols

SUBJECT: ROBERT MAHEU ASSOCIATES

DATE: November 3, 1954

Tolson	✓
Boardman	✓
Nichols	✓
Belmont	✓
Harbo	✓
Mohr	✓
Parsons	✓
Rosen	✓
Tamm	✓
Sizoo	✓
Winterrowd	✓
Tele. Room	✓
Holloman	✓
Gandy	✓

You will recall that we were informed that the information pertaining to the Bureau's SAC Letter on Maheu was discussed at a meeting of the Society of ~~Special~~ <sup>FORMER</sup> Agents Thursday night, October 7th. If this were true this would tend to negate the information we had to the effect that the information came from the Washington Field Office. You will recall that the information on the SAC Letter was not disseminated by the Field Office until their squad conferences on Friday morning, October 8th. You will also recall that the information we have confidentially secured indicates that former Special Agent John ~~Murphy~~ <sup>X</sup> claimed that a Bureau supervisor called him. We have made some checks with negative results on the allegation that the information was discussed at the meeting of the Society of Former Agents and it is felt that this was injected into the matter as a diversionary tactic on the part of Murphy and Staten, the former Agents who handled the information, to take it away from the Field Office. However, former SA Les Condon did advise an Agent of the Field Office voluntarily that this had been discussed at the October 7th meeting.

I had previously talked to Leonard ~~Viner~~ <sup>X</sup>, who had not been at the meeting, but stated he would check around. He called to advise me that he has now determined that this was discussed not formally or as a part of the program, but apparently there was a group of Agents involved in a discussion. He has gotten a couple versions. One was that Maheu severed his relations with former SA Carmen Bellino and then hired Charlie Lyons; that this did not set well with the Bureau and a letter was put out which said that if an Agent saw Maheu coming down the street, the Agent should walk over to the other side of the street. Another version was that Bob Maheu had hired Charlie Lyons; that Maheu had been a fair haired boy of the Bureau and since he hired Lyons away from the Bureau the Bureau now frowned on Maheu. There is no question in Viner's mind but that it was discussed, not as a part of any program, but by some Agents at the October 7th meeting.

Leonard wondered if there was anything further he could do. 24  
frankly, told him what the facts were and why we put out the letter and told him that if any further discussion came up that he was at liberty to state he had inquired

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This would indicate that the leak came out of the Staff & not from W. E. B. Smith - N.

Memorandum for Mr. Tolson from L. B. Nichols November 3, 1954

RE: ROBERT MAHEU ASSOCIATES

into the matter and that the account had been badly garbled. Viner also told me that there was some talk about trying to bring the convention of the Society of the Former Agents to Washington in 1955. He was asked for his views and he stated that they did not have a right to come to Washington yet until they cleaned house and they should not come to Washington until such time as they had taken the steps to prevent Agents not in good standing from joining the Society and get rid of some of those that are in; that when they came to Washington they should come clean so that the Bureau could give them some recognition, either by the Director attending some function or the Director sending some representative.

I told him that I thought he was quite right in this. We discussed the various problems. Leonard wanted to be called if there was anything he could do.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson */kerf*

DATE: November 5, 1954

FROM : L. B. Nichols

SUBJECT: ROBERT MAHEU / ASSOCIATES

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SAC Laughlin of Washington Field advised me on the evening of November 5, that former Special Agent John Philips has been doing some checking for him as to whether there was a discussion on the SAC letter at the meeting of former Agents on October 7th. He has contacted five or six people who did not hear anything discussed. One of the former Agents contacted was Joe Kelly. Kelly was very much concerned over the report and on his own called Ray Taggart, in Maheu's office, and asked how they were getting along. Taggart replied they were getting along so good they had been the subject of a recent SAC letter. Kelly expressed surprise and asked Taggart how he knew. Taggart replied this was a matter of seemingly great concern to the Bureau and did not say anything further.

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TO : Mr. Mohr

DATE: December 28,  
1954

FROM : H. L. Edwards *HL-E-103H*

SUBJECT: ROBERT A. MAHEU  
EOD 12/9/40  
Resigned 7/24/47  
Former Special Agent  
SERVICE RECORD INQUIRY

All Information Contained  
Herein is Unclassified Except  
Where Shown Otherwise

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Boardman \_\_\_\_\_  
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Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
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A request dated 12/22/54 has been received from the Name Check Section, Investigative Division, for the service record of former Special Agent Robert A. Maheu based on a request from the Central Intelligence Agency. (CIA).

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Reference is made to the attached memorandum dated 10/29/53 summarizing Maheu's service record at a time when an inquiry had been received from the U. S. Civil Service Commission. The attached memorandum pointed out that although his work record had been satisfactory while he was with the Bureau information was received after his resignation to the effect that he had left many outstanding debts in an unsuccessful business venture and many creditors felt he had been unethical in respect to his business dealings.

Since the preparation of the attached referenced memorandum summarizing his Bureau service record and information in the file up to the date of 10/29/53, Maheu visited the Director, 2/26/54, to pay his respects and to advise he had resigned from the Small Business Administration (SMA) and was going to open a private investigative agency. He offered his services. It was learned 11/3/53 he had been elected treasurer of the Washington Chapter of the Society of Former Special Agents. You will recall that Wendell B. Barnes, Administrator, Small Business Administration, on 3/29/54 pointed out his observations in respect to Maheu that he was incompetent in respect to handling security matters for that agency. Information dated 7/9/54 reflects that Maheu was then associated with former SA Raymond Taggart in a private investigative enterprise known as Robert A. Maheu and Associates in Washington, D. C. Information dated 8/6/54 reflects that former SA Howard J. Leahy had joined this firm. Information received 9/7/54 reflects that Robert A. Maheu and Associates were considering conducting surveys of police departments and Mr. Tolson commented "We should watch this closely or they will use us." A memorandum dated 9/17/54 reflects that Maheu had approached SA Charles W. Lyons, Washington Field Division, and offered him a position which Lyons refused. You will recall in a memorandum dated 9/20/54 that former SAs Louis J. Russell, Richard Lawrence and Charles Lyons had joined the firm and that former Inspector Egan advised the Bureau 1/15/54 that two confidential sources who would

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CC: SA M. Gregorio, Rm. 6130, I.B. (Direct)  
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not disclose themselves or testify with assurance had alleged that former SA Leahy had engaged in homosexual practices and had been a drunkard after leaving the FBI, the Director commenting on that memorandum "We must see that we are most circumspect in all dealings with Maheu here and in the field." You will recall that the field was advised in an SAC Letter to be most circumspect in all dealings with Maheu and his representatives and that this information leaked back to him. Mr. Nichols' memorandum of 11/5/54 reflects continuing efforts to identify the source of this leak.

In view of the facts it is deemed appropriate to make no comment concerning the quality of Maheu's services, character or integrity in the attached service record summary memorandum.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the attached service record summary memorandum be approved and be routed to SA M. Gregorio, Room 6130, Identification Building, Name Check Section, Investigative Division, for referral to CIA.

Sent 12/30/54

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GPM  
12/28

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THE FOREIGN SERVICE  
OF THE  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

AMERICAN EMBASSY  
ROME, ITALY

Date: November 29, 1954

To: Director, FBI

~~SECRET~~ AIR COURIER

From: Legal Attache (110-2)  
Rome, Italy

DECLASSIFIED BY 60267NLSEPTNF  
ON 8-6-99

Subject: ARISTOTLE SOCRATES ONASSIS  
FOREIGN ECONOMIC MATTERS  
SAUDI ARABIA

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ORIGINAL FILED IN 100-1-25834-13  
Attached is a Photostat copy of a 16 page statement by SPYRIDON ("SPIROS") ("SPIRO"), CATAPODIS, dated September 27, 1954, at Nice, France, together with 34 accompanying exhibits (Photostat copies of 10 documents and 24 photographs), which have been furnished to this Office by former FBI Special Agent ROBERT MAHEU of ROBERT MAHEU ASSOCIATES, Washington, D. C. The contents of the CATAPODIS statement indicate that ARISTOTLE SOCRATES ONASSIS, multi-millionaire Greek ship owner, had agreed to pay large sums of money to high officials of the Saudi Arabian Government in order to obtain the now well-publicized exclusive agreement with that government in April, 1954, to transport all oil exported from Saudi Arabia.

MAHEU explained that his agency has been working for STAVROS NIARCHOS, arch competitor of ONASSIS, in an endeavor to break the agreement referred to above. MAHEU mentioned that in this connection, he had already made several trips himself to Saudi Arabia in order to gather information to this end. He said that the NIARCHOS interests believed that a suitably prepared press release on the "bribes" involved in the agreement in question would bring about enough public pressure to effect a modification or termination of the contract. Since, he said, the agreement could affect the security of the United States insofar as its oil supplies were concerned, various officials in Washington were interested in and had been interviewed by himself and others concerned with the matter, including Under Secretary of State, HERBERT HOOVER, JR., and SCOTT McLEOD of the Department of State, Vice President RICHARD M. NIXON, and CIA representatives. He stated that HAROLD E. STASSEN, FOA Director, was also aware of the efforts being made to break the existing contract held by ONASSIS. Meanwhile, according to MAHEU, the ARABIAN AMERICAN OIL COMPANY (ARAMCO) is engaged in a parallel effort to sever the contract as its considerable petroleum production interests in Saudi Arabia will otherwise be at the mercy of ONASSIS' terms.

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MAHEU advised that one of his employees, JOHN GERRITY, a former newspaper man, had a number of "contacts" among press representatives in Paris and it had originally been planned to release the CATAPODIS disclosures in that city. However, he claimed that the CIA had decided that Rome would be more suitable for this purpose because "Arab countries pay more attention to news emanating from Rome than from other European capitals". According to MAHEU, no release was to be made from any point in the United States to avoid indicating any American connection with the disclosure. As a result, MAHEU and GERRITY came to Rome and arranged to release their story to a number of local newspaper reporters at a meeting arranged by Dr. GIUSEPPE DOSI, Chief, Interpol Office, Italian Police National Headquarters, who is a source of information of this Office.

(MAHEU said that he had obtained the names of several European representatives of the BIELASKI AGENCY in Washington, D.C., should be have need for their assistance, and learned that Dr. DOSI was considered their Rome "representative" whereas he found that he was a police official and actually only a "contact".) This meeting however, failed to produce any results except for interest expressed by an agent of L'EPOCA, an Italian weekly magazine, which requested GERRITY to prepare an article on the CATAPODIS story, "American" style. Efforts to have the story published in this periodical likewise encountered difficulty as it was confidentially learned through Dr. DOSI, that the publisher of L'EPOCA had arranged to consult with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs over the possible unfavorable reaction in Saudi Arabia that such a story might have with respect to Italy if it carried a Rome Date line.

MAHEU related that the original CATAPODIS documents were purchased from Former Bureau Agent LEON G. TURROU who has an office in Paris and who may be "peddling copies of the same documents to other interests." He said he has been in touch with two CIA representatives whom he claimed to know only by the names of "Jack" and "Bill", who were responsible for keeping in touch with him as to developments in the "case". MAHEU's London representative, Former FBI Special Agent CHARLES LYONS, it was learned, has engaged in surveillance of ONASSIS' travels and contacts aboard his yacht "CHRISTINA".

In the course of relating the above information, MAHEU emphasized that he wanted "absolutely nothing" from this Office and had made his local presence known only as a matter of courtesy. He made the attached documents available willingly with the understanding that no mention be made to the Embassy's CIA representatives of his being in touch with this office.

Any further information which may come to the attention of this Office concerning this matter will be forwarded to the Bureau. No copies of the enclosures with this memorandum have been retained in this Office.

PJC:pjc

TO : MR. TOLSON

FROM : L. B. NICHOLS

DATE: 12/31/55

SUBJECT:

Lou Russell, who is associated with Robert Maheu Associates, called at the suggestion of Bob Maheu. He pointed out their firm has been retained by Sylvan H. Meyer, Editor of the Daily Times, Gainesville, Georgia, to make a survey in Gainesville involving the County Commissioners, Police Department and Sheriff; that apparently the situation is rather tense and there are allegations of bribes. Accordingly, on Tuesday, former Special Agent Taggart and he are going to Gainesville to make an investigation. He wanted to check with us to be certain they did not upset anything we are working on.

I told him I did not know of anything we are working on and for him to go ahead and do their own job.

cc: Mr. Boardman  
Mr. Rosen

LBN:MP  
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ADDENDUM, LBN:MP 1/4/55

I called SAC Mumford at Atlanta and advised him of the proposed investigation of Russell and Taggart and pointed out, of course, they were not to receive anything from the confidential files of the Bureau, but on the other hand we should be circumspect should they contact us in Gainesville. Mumford stated he had not heard of any difficulties in Gainesville and that so far as he knew, the town was comparatively quiet.

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☐ PERSONAL HISTORY STATEMENT  
☐ INVESTIGATIVE REPORT  
☐ MEDICAL EXAM  
☐ LETTER  
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December 29, 1954

RE: ROBERT A. HAHN

Mr. Hahn entered on duty in the Federal Bureau of Investigation on December 9, 1946, as a Special Agent in Grade GAF 9 with salary at the rate of \$3200 per annum, and following a period of training he performed investigative duties in various offices of this Bureau. He received the following payroll charges:

GAF 10  
GAF 11  
GAF 12

\$2500  
\$3800  
\$4600

8/1/42  
1/15/42  
6/2/44

Mr. Hahn submitted his voluntary resignation effective at the close of business July 21, 1947, at which time he was receiving salary at the rate of \$4622.40 per annum in Grade GAF 12.

This report and its contents are loaned to you by the FBI and are not to be distributed outside of agency to which loaned. This is the result of a request for an FBI file check and is not to be considered as clearance.

*JFM*

Memorandum prepared for the Name Check Section for transmittal to the Central Intelligence Agency.

M. Gregorio

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Mr. Tolson

Nov. 20, 1954

L. B. Nichols

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Former Special Agent Howard Leahy came by to see me on the late afternoon of November 19, 1954. He stated that he had decided to leave Robert Maheu and Associates and had made a clean break. Later on in the conversation he stated that former Special Agent John Murphy had been talking around that he had been interviewed by Bureau Agents regarding the leak of the SAC Letter which mentioned Robert Maheu Associates and that he, Leahy, had made a frank disclosure that he had been over to the Bureau to see the Director on this. Leahy stated he decided to leave Maheu when he learned that John Murphy had recommended to Maheu that he fired Leahy.

We know that somebody is not telling the truth in view of Maheu's call to McGuire wherein Maheu stated he just heard that Leahy had talked at a restaurant about the letter and that he had been over to the Bureau to protest and he was going to fire Leahy. The Maheu version and the Leahy version just do not jibe.

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In the course of the conversation, Leahy stated that the more he thought of the matter, the more he thought he made a mistake in ever leaving the Bureau in 1945 and he was wondering what the chance would be for reinstatement. Leahy had previously served three years in the Bureau, namely from 1942 to 1945. He is now 45 years of age. I told Leahy that, quite frankly, we would like to help him, but that I could think of a lot of reasons why it would be difficult to reinstate him in view of his age and since a precedent would be established. I told him I would like to mull this over and would give him a ring Tuesday or Wednesday.

While Leahy's record in the Bureau was good and while he seems to be sincere, I think that in view of his age and the fact he has only had three years of service, we should tell him that we would not look with favor upon receiving application for reinstatement in view of his age.

cc: Mr. Mohr

LBN:arm

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Leary has not called back. Will so advise him when he contacts me.  
Nichols

I agree  
11/24  
Tolson

Yes  
Hoover

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# Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Mr. Tolson

DATE: October 29, 1954

FROM :

L. B. Nichols

SUBJECT:

Robert X Maheu

ROBERT MAHEU

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Boardman \_\_\_\_\_  
Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
Harbo \_\_\_\_\_  
Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
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Winterrowd \_\_\_\_\_  
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Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

I was advised today on a strictly personal and confidential basis by an individual whom I believe to be reliable and who is in a position to know, that Special Agent Charles Lyons, prior to his Bureau services being terminated, had been hired by Robert Maheu to do a job for which he was paid and which occurred while he was on the Bureau's payroll. This information was furnished initially by Bob Maheu and former Agent Taggart to another former Agent whose identity is known to me and who in turn furnished it to the informant. The informant further advised me that former Special Agent Dan O'Connor conveys the impression of being a big shot and being very close to the Bureau; that O'Connor is presently running the forthcoming Chicago convention of the Society of Former Agents and wants to be President of the Washington Chapter of the Society of Former Agents. O'Connor has called the Maheu office more than on one occasion to tip them off that the Bureau was trying to find out where the leak occurred of a recent SAC Letter which referred to Maheu and Associates. The informant further told me that there is a great deal of unrest in the Maheu office and he has been led to believe that some of the former Agents are very much upset as a result of the Bureau's effort to ascertain the identity of the individual who leaked the information to Maheu on the contents of the SAC Letter.

I was further advised that as a result of this leak there were a series of conferences in the Washington Field Office wherein Agents were cautioned against communicating the contents of Bureau communications to outsiders and wherein an issue was made out of who furnished the information to the Maheu group and that some of the Agents were pretty much upset and jittery over the pressures that the FBI applied. The informant has heard nothing of the Bureau Supervisor's conference Wednesday and Thursday. I told the informant that in view of the injustice which had been done in conveying the impression that Maheu was on a black list that on the Director's personal instructions I had mentioned this matter at the Supervisor's Conference and pointed out that the Director had a friendly feeling toward Maheu and that the letter was not intended to in any way cast a reflection on Maheu and his group. The informant had heard nothing of this and told me he would let me know if he did hear anything.

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55 DEC 21 1954

I think our legal attache at London should tackle Lyons

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Memorandum to Mr. Tolson from L. B. Nichols  
RE: LEAK OF INFORMATION  
SAC LETTER DATED OCTOBER 5, 1954  
PERTAINING TO ROBERT A. MAHEU ASSOCIATES

In mulling this over, I think that we should meet this situation head on, and while normally there would not be a squad conference until a week from Friday, October 22, 1954, I think the Field Office should be instructed to have a squad conference tomorrow morning, at which time it should be made unmistakably clear; that all 433 Agents of the Field Office are under a cloud and that the only decent thing would be for the person who furnished the information to step forward; that the Bureau also has its sources and that if the Bureau discovers the identity of the individual and he does not step forward like a man, that, of course, the individual will be dismissed forthwith.

In my conversation with Laughlin, he inquired whether it would be possible to get all the Agents together. I told him I would like to mull this over and would be in touch with him later in the day. If, of course, the supervisors come up with any ideas of individuals who are close to the Maheu group, then it might be well to first interview such Agents, and if that is unproductive, then I think Laughlin should be instructed to have squad conferences tomorrow morning.

Laughlin had planned to have his semi-annual conference on Thursday and Friday; however, this has now been postponed since he cannot get a classroom in view of the United States Attorneys Conference, and he will have his semi-annual conference in November.

Laughlin  
Advised  
10/12/54

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson

DATE: October 12, 1954

FROM : L. B. Nichols

SUBJECT: LEAK OF INFORMATION  
SAC LETTER DATED OCTOBER 5, 1954  
PERTAINING TO ROBERT A. MAHEU ASSOCIATES

Mr. Tolson  
Mr. Boardman  
Mr. Belmont  
Mr. Ladd  
Mr. Nichols  
Mr. Rosen  
Mr. Tracy  
Mr. Harbo  
Mr. Mohr  
Mr. Parsons  
Mr. Tamm  
Mr. Winterrowd  
Tele. Room  
Mr. Holloman  
Gandy

Washington F.O.

I sent for SAC Laughlin of the Washington Field Office and advised him that on Friday night I had personally received a call reflecting that the contents of the SAC Letter of October 5, 1954, pertaining to Robert A. Maheu Associates had been communicated to members of this organization. I further told Laughlin that the Director had also received information and that it was conclusively known that the leak came from the Washington Field Office; that we were very much disturbed about this; that we wanted to find out who had violated the confidence; that until this was done, SAC Laughlin and the 433 Agents assigned to the Washington Field Office had a cloud of suspicion hanging over their heads.

Laughlin was very much disturbed with this information. I inquired as to the handling of this information in the Field Office. Laughlin stated that the SAC Letter, as he recalled it, came into the Washington Field Office on Thursday, October 7, 1954; that normally an SAC Letter is routed to the Assistant and to the key supervisors; however, in this instance, since the letter instructed that all Agents were to be advised of the Maheu organization, he had his secretary excerpt paragraphs from the SAC Letter. He gave a copy to each of his supervisors with instructions to take it up with the Agents in the squad conferences which was held last Friday morning, and that it was to be taken up verbatim as it came out of the Bureau. The squad conferences are held every other Friday morning and all Agents attend these conferences; thus, the information has been communicated to all Agents on duty in the Field Office last Friday morning.

SAC Laughlin stated that he wanted to find out where this came from and asked if there were any suggestions. I told him that I thought that he should get his supervisors together immediately after lunch today, advise them of the leak, and point out the seriousness of this situation; that, by chance, some supervisor might have knowledge of some contact between some Agent assigned in the Field Office and some of the Agents associated with Maheu. Laughlin further stated that he could put out some feelers but he doubted this would be productive.

cc: Mr. Mohr

LBN:arm

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Staten stated that at the time he was sent out on this check, he was specifically instructed by Maheu that if at any time he ran into any facts which indicated the FBI was working on the angles he was working on, he was to promptly withdraw; that under no consideration would Maheu want his organization to run counter to the Bureau and it was his understanding Maheu was to send the Bureau a copy of his report.

He further stated he was somewhat nonplussed in my discussing this matter with him. I told him I thought I had made it clear as to the reason. He then stated the only reason he left the Bureau was to increase his earnings; that he had so advised the Director when he saw him personally; that above all else he wanted to keep a good name in the Bureau and there was nothing he would not do to help out. I told him if that was the case then I would like to know who furnished him the information and to whom <sup>he</sup> relayed it. He stated he honestly could not tell me who it was that ~~mentioned~~ this to him since it was done in a joking manner. On one occasion he mentioned two Agents had joked with him about the situation and on another occasion he mentioned he had heard it from several and he simply could not furnish the names as he did not recall and as he did not pay any attention to it; that if there was a leak in the field office or in the Bureau that came to his attention he would come immediately to the Bureau and furnish the information. As to relaying the information he stated he simply does not recall his having relayed it to anyone and that the only thing that could have occurred that he recalled was that somebody might have brought this up in a joking manner when he was present; that he would search his mind and if he could recall anything, he would get in touch with me; that he would certainly not want to do anything which would reflect upon his record in the Bureau.

I told him quite seriously and frankly this was a serious matter; that the Bureau had a right to furnish information to its representatives without the representatives relaying it outside of the Bureau. He agreed this was so and stated he was certain that there was no intent on the part of anybody to violate any rules. I told him the fact still remained this had been done because it was just as serious to joke about a matter as it was to convey it in a serious manner. I told him it was also a reflection to convey information in a manner such as was done in this instance which had the effect of having the Bureau placing the Maheu organization in a category which would raise a question in the minds of a third party.

He stated he could see this, but insisted that he simply could not recall passing the information on to anyone.

In the course of the conversation, he stated his luncheon pattern is a simple one. He always went out to lunch by himself; he only had a half hour and that if there was any time left he walked by to see some friends who are getting ready to install a bar. (While he did not say so, this no doubt refers to the Sanders Bar and Grill in which former Agent John Murphy has an interest).

It was quite obvious that Staten was upset over the discussion. He appeared to be ill at ease and concerned.

In my memorandum of October 16, I pointed out I had asked SAC Laughlin in a discreet manner to secure a line on the Agents who were close to Staten. In this connection, Laughlin advised me today that Staten worked on the surveillance squad in Washington Field Office and as such was well acquainted with a large number of Agents. He also married a former Bureau stenographer. He shared a car pool with Special Agents Andrew J. Shannon and Robert A. Weems. Laughlin stated he also ascertained he was rather close to the following Agents: John Buckley; Fred J. Cassidy; David J. Murphy, Jr., Robert Winfund and was very close to a former Agent **BY** the name of John Murphy who resigned several months ago. I told Laughlin he should do nothing further; that we would think the matter over.

*They should be questioned*

In view of your notation, I take it that it is not desired that Laughlin pursue this matter further. I do think, however, that at the next squad conference it would be well for Laughlin to have various supervisors point out that it has now been determined this leak occurred when Agents met another former Agent and in a joking manner referred to his former employment with Robert Maheu; that henceforth Bureau communications are not to be the subject of joking with former Agents and are not to be communicated to persons outside the Bureau, unless there is a specific instruction to do so.

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*Laughlin  
outlined  
10/20/59*

*Also  
OK*

*It is obvious to me  
Staten is covering up.*

OFFICE Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson

DATE: Oct. 18 1954

FROM :

L. B. Nichols

SUBJECT:

ROBERT A. MAHEU ASSOCIATES

Mr. Tolson  
Mr. Boardman  
Mr. Nichols  
Mr. Belmont  
Mr. Harbo  
Mr. Mohr  
Mr. Parsons  
Mr. Rosen  
Mr. Tamm  
Mr. Sizoo  
Mr. Winterrowd  
Tele. Room  
Mr. Holloman  
Miss Gandy

With reference to your notation on my memo of October 16, that I should tackle former Special Agent William J. Staten, I wish to advise I called him and asked him to drop by the office. He came by on the afternoon of October 18th. I told Staten, after he had informed me he was working in the new inspection set up of Internal Revenue in a special unit having the responsibility to check on personal conduct, that a matter of considerable importance had arisen.

I pointed out that the Bureau had routinely furnished advice to the Washington Field Office to the effect that Robert A. Maheu Associates was a private investigative agency and while they had contracts to do work for Congressional committees, they still are a private organization and as such not entitled to information. I told Staten that much to our surprise, this information had been bandied about and it was our information it had cast a serious cloud on Maheu and Associates; that we had reason to believe and, in fact, knew that the information had been conveyed to him by Agents in the Washington Field Office and he had relayed the information to others, and that we felt it best to talk to him man to man as to the manner in which he secured the information and as to the nature of the information which was relayed on by him.

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Staten stated that he was somewhat surprised; that his office is near the space occupied by the Washington Field Office and that a week ago Friday he met several Agents in the hall; that a couple of them, in a joking manner, stated they knew he was glad he had a job back in the government and not in the other place, meaning the Maheu organization; that he could not quote the exact phraseology used since he considered that the entire conversation was in a joking vein and that the additional comment was probably made that since he now had another job the Agents would not have to walk on the opposite side of the street. He stated he did not pay too much attention to this since he had worked for a short period of time on a day to day basis for Maheu; that he thought highly of Maheu and the work he did had to do with checking on FHA cases in Detroit.

cc: Mr. Boardman  
Mr. Harbo  
Mr. Mohr

LBN:MP


55 DEC 21 1954

*[Handwritten signature]*



Memorandum for Mr. Tolson from L. B. Nichols

X I was further advised that former Special Agent John Murphy, who figured in relaying the information to the Maheu organization, is particularly worried and has been running up to the Maheu office every other day or so for the past week, which is something he did not previously do.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson

DATE: Feb. 3, 1955

FROM : L. B. Nichols

SUBJECT:

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Boardman	_____
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Belmont	_____
Harbo	_____
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Parsons	_____
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Holloman	_____
Gandy	_____

*Callahan*  
*Chapman*  
*H.L. Edwards*  
*Sussex*  
*Robert Maheu*

Former Special Agent Bob Maheu advised Mr. McGuire at 4:00 p.m. that he thought the Director should be alert for correspondence inquiring as to the status of Leon Torrou as he felt an attempt would be made to secure information regarding Torrou having been dismissed from the Bureau with prejudice for the express purpose of using this information in defense of a libel suit in Paris.

Maheu explained that while he was out of the office, a call was received from James Stewart representing the Frank B. Hall Company., one of the largest maritime insurance brokerage outfits in the New York area. Maheu had the call returned and subsequently met Stewart who was interested in having Maheu conduct some investigation on behalf of Onassis. Maheu, of course, represents opposite interests and told Stewart that he could not handle any work on behalf of Onassis as there was a conflict of interest; and furthermore, that he personally did not think Onassis had acted in the best interest of the United States Government.

Apparently Onassis is now being sued for libel in Paris, France, by one Podis and Onassis intends to have former Special Agent Leon Torrou testify as a witness for Podis. Onassis wants Stewart to find out Leon Torrou's service record with the FBI and as to whether or not Torrou had been fired with prejudice. Maheu stated he gave no advice to Stewart other than to tell him he could not accept the case.

Maheu stated that he feels sure that Stewart will write to the Director inquiring about Torrou without giving the reason why he wants the information and that Stewart will try to get something in writing regarding Torrou which he then can pass back to Onassis for use in defense of the libel suit in Paris. Maheu asked that this information be passed on to the Director's Office.

cc: Mr. Holloman  
Mr. Boardman  
Mr. Rosen

JJM:arm

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